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TURKEY AND BRITAIN.

Disagreement Over Mosul.

(Reuter's Service.)

Lausanne, December 27.

The general tone in Conference circles again tends to be pessimistic. The Turkish attitude, which at one time seemed to promise a reasonable settlement, is now most recalcitrant. A long interview Lord Curzon had with Ismet Pasha last night does not appear to have improved the situation. There are indications that the patience of the Allies is nearing exhaustion. The fate of the Conference will probably be determined in the course of this week's proceedings.

The British reply to the Turkish claim to the Mosul Vilayet refutes the Turkish contentions and emphasises that it is impossible to continue the controversy. Lord Curzon in a covering letter says the reasons adduced by the Turks only show that no case can be made out for the surrender of Mosul.

Capitulations Question.

Lausanne, December 27.

The Allies' draft scheme to replace the financial part of the Capitulations proclaims the abolition of the Capitulations, but stipulates that Allied subjects and foreign companies shall not be treated differently to Turkish respecting taxation. The Turks agreed to the foregoing at a meeting of the sub-commission, but objected to the other points, including the stipulation that Allied subjects shall not be subjected to forced loans, though it is considered probable they will abandon their objections. The scheme would remain in operation for ten years, upon condition that reciprocal treatment be accorded to the Turks.

Attempt to Control Warships.

Constantinople, December 27.

A Turkish note handed to the Allied High Commissioners says no warship over a thousand tons may remain in Symrna harbour and no second warship will be admitted until its predecessor has left; and the note also forbids the landing of men without permission. A second note says the authorities must previously be advised of the intention of a warship to visit any Turkish port, also the purpose of the visit and length of stay. No two warships will be admitted at the same time, and none between sunset and sunrise. The note adds that the navigation of warships in Turkish waters in foggy weather is "prejudicial."

GERMANY'S DEFAULT.

Lively Franco-British Discussion.

Paris, December 27.

The newspapers describe the discussions of the Reparations Commission as most animated, M. Barthou urging a definite proclamation of the German default and Sir John Bradbury opposing him. A Commission communique announces that it has notified the Governments concerned of a German default in the delivery of timber to France in 1922, and recalls the letter of the Commission on March 21. It was stated then that if Germany had not effected deliveries in kind an additional equivalent in cash payments should be exacted from Germany at the end of 1922. Sir John Bradbury opposed the declaration that the failure to execute entirely the delivery of timber constituted a German default, and refrained from voting for the resolution with regard to the Commission's letter of March 21.

CAIRO OUTRAGE.

British Professor Assassinated.

Cairo, December 27.

Mr. Robson, a professor at the School of Law, was cycling homewards this afternoon when he was fired at with a revolver and killed by three natives. Another Britisher, Mr. Rowntree, accompanying Mr Robson, was also fired on, but escaped.

Later.

Mr. Robson was quietly cycling on the Giza road after delivering his morning lectures, when three Effendis appeared on the roadway. One fired at Mr. Robson, who fell, death being instantaneous. He was hit by three bullets. Mr. Rowntree, who was on a motorcycle behind, escaped by dashing on at full speed, though a bullet entered his oil tank. Apparently only one native fired, though three were involved in the attack. They all escaped.

M.C.C. v. SOUTH AFRICA.

Johannesburg, December 27.

The weather was fine and warm and the attendance numbered 7,000, on the resumption of the M.C.C. v. South Africa match. The wicket was a fast one. South Africa completed their innings with 420, by very steady batting against excellent English bowling and fielding. Taylor contributed 176, compiled in 308 minutes. He did not give a single chance, and showed very sound judgment. He hit twenty-five fours. Brann knocked up 50. Kennedy took wickets 4 for 132, Gilligan 3 for 69, and Jupp 3 for 87.

England then went in again, and scored 123 for the loss of four wickets, in three hours of careful batting. Scoring was kept down by fine bowling.

INDIAN MODERATES' VIEWS.

Nagpur, December 27.

In a Presidential address to the Moderate Congress, Mr. Sastri asserted that the delay in cutting down army expenditure and Indianising officers was daily aggravating anti-British feeling. He declared it would be a political blunder to prolong the transition period unnecessarily. He expressed the opinion that there was no risk in granting full autonomy to the Provinces, and affirmed his belief in the British connection. He trusted that the theory of an equal partnership would soon be translated into fact.

VICTORIA DEFEAT NEW SOUTH WALES.

Melbourne, December 27.

New South Wales compiled 160 (Kippax 63). Victoria replied with 125. Macartney took 5 for 8.

New South Wales, going in again, made 142. Victoria then knocked up 179 for 3, Woodfull contributing 84, not out.

THE LONDON MARU SAFE.

Port Said, December 27.

The Japanese steamer London Maru, which was reported on December 22 to be in distress in Latitude 37.8 North, Longitude 7.35 East, has arrived here.

WEST RIVER CONDITIONS.

The Opium Trade Fever.

EVERYBODY KEEN ON THE PROFITS.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Nanning, December 11.

As usual at this season, the West River is sinking lower and lower, and the boats are having a difficult task when they arrive at the rapids just below this city. Cargo must be shifted on to a lighter, which is towed behind, and in very dangerous places has to be left behind to follow as best it may while the motor boat awaits it at the head of the rapid. This, of course, means many hours of delay.

The Faan Rapid is always a favourite haunt for robber bands at this time, and it was probably at that spot that a curious robbery was committed a few days ago. The robbers—or soldiers?—boarded a motor boat at a point where resistance was impossible, and demanded all the silver the crew and passengers were carrying. They did not seek to touch any of the passengers' personal possessions, and actually returned them half the sum of the paper money found on board, after which the boat was allowed to proceed. The silver would be a valuable haul in a city where everybody is frantically anxious to obtain it, for it means opium, and opium deals are said to yield at least 100% just now!

The Currency Puzzle.

The high value of silver keeps the local official printing presses exceedingly busy turning out paper money! In fact, the supply can hardly equal the demand, and the officials are at their wits' end as to how to prevent its depreciation. A day or two ago the Commander-in-Chief published a paragraph in the local daily paper urging the people to invest their money in the new Bank, which is to be opened shortly, promising them that the new tax ("Tak pi: heung Kuen") shall be devoted to the Bank, that thereby the exchange shall be steadied and eventually the paper dollar will once again be at par.

Those, who are not "in the know," stand bewildered before the proclamations with regard to this new tax, which is "to help to pay the soldiers." It is so worded that there is no hint given that it is a tax on opium—though practically everybody knows what it is.

The newspaper paragraph goes on to state that "owing to the wickedness of the merchants, who place the value of the paper dollar too low, the soldiers cannot live on their pay, and thereby much distress is caused." The money-changing shops are to be registered and examined, and any money-changer found transgressing is to be arrested.

Swarms of Ex-Soldiers.

The soldiers' pay is 22 cents a day (paper money) out of which he has to feed himself with rice at $20 a picul and firewood at $3,—an obviously impossible task. Moreover, the city is swarming with ex-robbers, who have been enlisted by eager officers, anxious for the rank and pay of a colonel—a rank which is easily obtainable just now by anyone, who can collect 200 armed robbers, round them up from the highways and byways and march them, newly enlisted, into the city.

And yet, in spite of the fever for recruiting, the country is still swarming with ex-soldiers, who have become bandits in order to escape starvation—or the necessity of working? Parts of the country are said to be absolutely impossible to traverse just now, and things will probably go on from bad to worse as we approach Chinese New Year, which falls about the end of February.

The Opium Craze.

The fever for trade in opium has reached the country people, and some have even sold their land to invest their money in opium! A few days ago one of the military boats, which are said on one trip to carry a cargo of opium worth from $40,000 to $60,000 caught fire and was completely burnt out just below Wang Shun. Over ten lives were lost and all the opium, and the unhappy country people, who had sold their fields to have a share in the prize, are mad with despair at having lost their all.

I happened to be at the Mission Hospital when a prescription was handed in the other day, which called for tincture of opium. The dispenser returned it, saying that there was none to be obtained. Although thousands of dollars' worth of opium are passing through the city, they cannot even obtain a few ounces of tincture of opium from Shanghai for the dispensing of prescriptions. Their last order was returned from the wholesale drug firm with the words "omitted for prohibited product" written beneath it.

Rumours.

Rumours of fighting between Lau Ch'ue-cheung and Sham Hun-ying are coming up the river, but at present these are unconfirmed, and, as a matter of fact, everybody is so "fed up" with listening to rumours true and false, that they take no notice of such reports until facts are forthcoming to confirm them.

NORTH-WEST FRONTIER OPERATIONS.

Dera Ismail-Khan, December 27.

Aerial operations were carried during the past week against enemy villages on the North-West frontier. Sixteen and a half tons of bombs were dropped. The machines flew low, and used machine-guns.

SILVER MONEY WANTED.

Washington, December 27.

Senator Nicholson has introduced a resolution asking the President to appoint a commission to communicate with the other nations for the purpose of increasing the use of silver in monetary systems.

(Other Telegrams on Pages 2 and 20.)

ALLEGED THEFT OF LAWYER'S GOWN.

Supreme Court Incident.

A man employed at the Supreme Court on the job of repairing the tiles of the corridors was brought before Mr. R. K. Lindsell, at the Police Court this morning, on a charge of stealing a solicitor's gown from a room in the building.

The Registrar, Mr. Hugh Nesbit, prosecuted, and a statement was made by Mr. Akbar, clerk to the Police Judge, that he met the defendant coming out of a room with a newspaper parcel in his hand. This contained the gown in question. When brought into the interpreters' room for the purpose of having his identity established, the defendant made an attempt to escape but was overtaken outside the building.

An adjournment was given by Mr. Lindsell for the purpose of securing identification of the gown.

Inspector Caygill said that before the case went further he would like to state that another gown, much shorter than the first one, was found being worn by the prisoner, but this was not included in the charge, as the ownership could not be established.

To a statement by the prisoner to the effect that he thought these gowns would not be wanted as they were discarded on the floor, his Worship replied, "Oh nonsense. Whether they were on the floor, on the table or on the hook, you have no right to steal articles which do not belong to you. You only make your position worse by such excuses."

SNATCHER CAUGHT BY EUROPEANS.

A Chater Road Incident.

An attempt made by a snatcher to steal a fountain pen from an American engineer, Mr. F. C. [illegible], about an assaulting incident in Chater Road yesterday afternoon, just after the tiffin interval. A gang of snatchers was in the street and as Mr. Jones passed along the pavement he was jostled on either side and a few seconds later he realised that a gold fountain pen, which he valued at $38, had been taken from his breast pocket. The theft was witnessed by Mr. Arthur E. Beavis, of Messrs. Reiss and Company, who was attacked in a vicious manner by members of the gang in his endeavour to grab the thief.

Describing his experience in the Police Court this morning, Mr. Beavis told the Magistrate that on seeing the theft he told the friend accompanying him to "watch me" as he intercepted the thief. It proved to be a harder task than Mr. Beavis had anticipated and required the combined efforts of himself his friend and an Indian constable to effect the capture.

Nothing was found on the prisoner in the search subsequently made, but an accomplice, who came up ostensibly to help in the search, gave the game away by making a movement with his hand towards the cap which his partner in the enterprise was wearing. The fountain pen then dropped out as the cap was removed from the man's head.

In spite of the defence he put up that he was only assisting the law, the accomplice was also arrested, and, together with the actual culprit, was brought up before Mr. Lindsell this morning. Evidence was heard that a general attempt was made by members of the gang to escape after the incriminating discovery of the fountain pen in the cap.

"Why did you butt into an affair which does not concern you?" asked the Magistrate of the first prisoner.

"I saw him steal the pen and came up to assist in the search."

"First prisoner practically admitted it. Don't tell lies. You only make it worse for yourself and for your friend. Have you any witness? No? Well you are convicted too."

Inspector Cashman put in two records of convictions for larceny against the first prisoner.

His Worship:—You are just out of gaol, No 1. Well, you do six months—both of you do six months, in fact.

TROOPS IN CANTON.

Their Removal Urged.

A Bill will soon be introduced in the Canton City Legislative Council to request the Mayor to petition the Civil Governor to communicate with the Commander-in-Chief relative to the removal of all troop stations from the business and residential parts of Canton to the outskirts. The presence of armed men within the residential section has caused unpleasant incidents lately. Only a fortnight ago an army captain shot four policemen, killing one. A few nights ago, a member of the Namhoi District Assembly was shot near his home by a soldier.

ARMS SEIZURE.

Aboard "President Jefferson."

The President Jefferson again figures in a large arms seizure effected by police officers yesterday, as a result of the previous receipt of information. From the coal bunkers after five tons of coal had been removed, 51 Winchester rifles and 8,557 cartridges were taken and confiscated by the police. No arrests were made.

It would seem that previous arrests and heavy penalties inflicted on the prisoners by the Magistrate has not yet had the deterrent effect expected, and that trafficking in arms aboard American passenger liners is still actively going on.

COUNCIL MEETING.

The "Mui Tsai" Problem.

VIGOROUS DENIAL OF "SLAVERY".

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber this afternoon.

H.E. the Governor, (Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G.) presided and there were also present:—

Major-General Sir John Fowler, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.
The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary.
The Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, Attorney-General.
The Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins, Director of Public Works.
The Hon. Mr. D. W. Tratman, Colonial Treasurer.
The Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, Director of Education.
The Hon. Mr. E. R. Halifax Secretary for Chinese Affairs.
The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K. C.
The Hon. Mr. E. D. V. Parr.
The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang.
The Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen.
The Hon. Mr. R. Lowe.
The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-son.
The Hon. Mr. Ng Hon-tsz.
Mr. A.G.M. Fletcher, C.M.G., Clerk of Council.

Presentation.

Before the business of the meeting began, His Excellency the Governor made the presentation of a certificate of the Royal Humane Society to Mr. F.O.L. da Silva, who jumped off the Star Ferry on June 11th. last and saved a Chinese woman from drowning. His Excellency detailed the facts of Mr. Silva's brave act, and said that the Society had deemed such act worthy of recognition. He had very much pleasure in handing over the certificate.

Late Mr. Murray Stewart.

His Excellency also read to the Council a letter which had been received from Mr. Gershom Stewart, in acknowledgement of the Council's resolution of sympathy on the death of the late Mr. Murray Stewart. After expressing his appreciation of the Council's resolution, Mr. Stewart stated that he rejoiced to hear of the continued prosperity of the Colony.

Financial Votes.

Amongst the financial minutes referred to the Finance Committee were the following:—

$1,212 on account of Kowloon-Canton Railway, installation of electric power.

$50,000 in aid of the vote Miscellaneous Services, Swatow Relief.

$15,000 on account of Miscellaneous Services, repairs to Peak Hospital.

$559,667 in aid of miscellaneous services including:—Rent Allowance, $25,330; transport of Government servants, $110,860; loss on subsidiary coins, $394,500.

$25,000 in aid of the vote Police Department, passages.

$7,700 in aid of the vote Kowloon-Canton Railway, asphalting platforms and concourse, Kowloon Station.

Tramway Facilities.

A resolution was passed approving the construction and maintenance of an additional 1,113 yards of tramway track commencing at the present terminus at Wongneichong village along Wongneichong Road (on the eastern side of the Happy Valley) and Leighton Hill Road, to connect with the existing line at Morrison Hill Road.

In moving the resolution, the Hon. Colonial Secretary explained that the extension of the line right round the valley would be a great improvement. The new line had been laid so as to avoid cutting down many fine old camphor trees.

Military Lands.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock asked the following question:—Will the Government give information to the Council as to the progress of the negotiations for the transfer of the Military Establishments from their present sites to other sites which will not impede the commercial and residential expansion of the Colony?

The Hon. Colonial Secretary replied as follows:—The local negotiations were concluded in the month of May this year and the conditions on which the Military Establishments should be removed to other sites were forthwith submitted to the Colonial Office and War Office. The result of the discussion which subsequently took place between the two departments has not yet been notified to this Government.

The Mui Tsai Bill.

The Hon. Attorney-General moved the first reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to regulate certain forms of female domestic service.

In moving the first reading, the Hon. Attorney-General addressed the Council at some length in defence of the charge that "slavery" had existed in this Colony. He said that much of the criticism of the mui tsai system had been confused, ignorant and unsympathetic. That confusion was largely due to the employment of the term "slavery" to a condition which was not slavery at all. Mui tsai were not slaves, for the control of the employer was not recognised by law, the girls were members of the family and Chinese custom recognised certain obligations on the part of the employers. He thought that people who had urged the "abolition of slavery from Hongkong" would be surprised to hear of a case which came to his notice in the Law Courts recently. A woman had been murdered and a little girl, aged 13, was a witness. She was intelligent, obviously well fed, well-clothed and well cared for. She broke down two or three times when speaking of her "mother"—the murdered woman. It was not until the very end of the case, that the police discovered that the girl was not the woman's daughter, but her mui tsai. It would also surprise some of the critics to know that the term "mui tsai" was applied by Chinese to certain European members of European families and that they all looked on the term as a high one and not one implying "slavery." In support of his contention that the criticism of the system had often been ignorant, the Hon. Attorney General said that one well-reputed Society had referred to mui tsai as boys, whilst two others had urged that they should be made "illegal," thinking that mui tsai was a thing and not a person. There had also been a great lack of sympathy with an alien civilisation, and it would be dangerous to interfere too much with the moral structure of a civilisation which, in some ways, was equal if not superior to their own. But in spite of all that he had said, he did admit that the system was one which was open to grave abuses by the unscrupulous. Hence the present Bill. He proceeded to explain the various clauses, after which the first reading was agreed to.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

Lammert Brothers are holding a public auction sale at their sales rooms on the 29th. inst., of miscellaneous goods.—Page 4.

A Fancy Dress Carnival will be held at the Kowloon Theatre on New Year's Eve.—Pages 4 and 12.

An International Rugby Football Match will take place on New Year's Day.—Page 4.

A shop is to let in the heart of the central district.—Page 4.

The Exchange Banks will be closed for business on the 1st. of January.—Page 4.

Consignees are notified of the arrival of the s.s. "Korea Maru."—Page 11.

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"Thy Soul Shall Bear Witness" is the feature at the Kowloon Theatre.—Page 12.

There is a furnished European flat to let in Kowloon.—Page 4.

Prof. Danenberg will resume his piano lessons next month.—Page 4.

A large office room is vacant in Powell's Building.—Page 4.

A dance is being held at the Palace Hotel on the 30th. inst.—Page 4.

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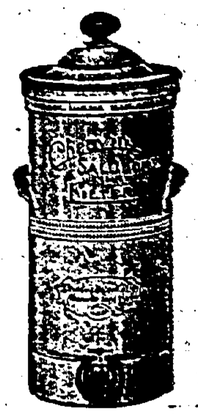

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS

INDIA'S ASPIRATIONS.

Gaya, Dec. 27.

In his presidential address at the opening of the Indian National Congress, Mr. Das outlined a scheme for a *Swaraj* based on small and practically autonomous centres. He urged the appointment of a committee to draft such a scheme. He defended the policy of securing election to the Councils in order to ensure non-co-operation with the Government. The great Indian nation was in sight. The only method of securing a *Swaraj* was by non-violent non-co-operation. Some Indians considered non-violence impracticable; but history had repeatedly proved the futility of revolution engineered by violence. He emphasised the importance of India's participation in the great Asiatic Federation which he saw being formed, replacing the pan-Islamic movement and constituting a union of Asia's oppressed nationalities. He urged encouragement of disobedience of "unlawful laws." The Councils must be made suitable for the *Swaraj* or destroyed.

Mr. Das expected that non-co-operators would secure a majority in the Councils and said that in that event they should make a declaration of their rights and demand their own constitution. If that demand was not effectuated they must oppose all work. Bureaucracy would then have to yield or withdraw the Reforms Act. He urged the Congress to take up the organisation of labour and the peasantry.

Gaya, Dec. 27.

Four thousand delegates were present at the opening of the Congress. The tent was decorated with portraits of Gandhi and inscriptions like "Failure is the sign of success."

Mr. Das's policy was not entirely accepted as the best towards achieving a *Swaraj*. The Chairman of the Receptions Committee advocated the establishment of a parallel system of administration.

A decision likely to influence the gathering is a resolution adopted by 70 votes to 4 by the Committee of Moslem Theologians, condemning the contesting of elections for the Legislative Council, as opposed to their religion.

THE ETERNAL PROBLEM.

Washington, Dec. 27.

The famous banker, Otto Kahn, has sent a letter to Senator Smoot of the Debt Funding Commission strongly advocating the cancellation of a portion of the Allied debts or the reduction of interest thereon. He suggests with regard to Great Britain the creation of an annual sinking fund of three quarters of one per cent., by which to extinguish the debt in 47 years; also, that the interest on the debt shall be 2 per cent. for the first eight years, increasing half per cent. every eight years until it reaches 4½ per cent. during the last period of seven years. Senator McCormick, who has just returned from Europe, forecasts the possibility of the gravest events before winter ends if the Allies do not settle the Reparations question.

London, Dec. 27.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin accompanied by his wife and daughter and Sir Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, with two financial experts sailed on the s.s. Majestic this afternoon for the United States. Their mission is in regard to the funding of the British debt to America. They expect to be absent about three weeks. Interviewd for the *Evening Standard*, Mr. Baldwin emphasised the delicacy of the mission. He pointed out that under present arrangements British payments to America amount to between sixty and seventy millions sterling annually. He hoped to fund the debt and get the burden of interest eased. If he was successful he hoped America would be kind to a much more important mission which Mr. Bonar Law is shortly to undertake—namely, with regard to the matter of reparations.

THE JAPANESE DIET.

Tokyo, Dec. 26.

The Diet was convoked in regular session this morning. The Regent's speech was read in both Houses by Count Uchida.

After the appointment of Committees, the Diet is adjourning tomorrow probably until January 22.

The Regent was unable to be present owing to convalescence.

The Premier was also indisposed. The Regent's speech followed the usual formal lines. There were no special references.

THE WORK OF M. PASTEUR.

London, Dec. 27.

The papers devote much space to glowing articles containing appreciatory notice of M. Pasteur's work, on the occasion of the centenary of his birth. He is hailed as one of the greatest scientists of the nineteenth century.

QUAKES IN NEW ZEALAND.

Wellington, Dec. 26.

The earthquake was confined to the upper and middle portions of South Island. The shock was particularly severe in North Canterbury. Practically every chimney at Waikari was brought down. The householders were terrified.

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A CHATHAM TRAGEDY.

Death of Lt. Scott.

Home papers to hand yesterday report the death at Chatham, as the result of revolver wounds, of Lieut. Harold d'Arcy Preston Scott, R.E., only son of Dr. and Mrs. Scott, late of Hongkong:

The deceased, who was but 22 years of age was found in a hutment t Chatham in a dying condition, and was taken to hospital, where he succumbed. He was found by a brother officer lying in his room in Chatham Line Barracks on Nov. 18 with a wound in his head and a revolver by his side. He was taken to hospital, where he died a few hours later, and at the inquest on Nov. 20 a verdict of "Suicide while of unsound mind" was returned. The colonel of the regiment said that he was one of his most promising officers, and his men were most attached to him. Lieutenant Scott's mother and father returned from China only a few weeks before, and the last letter Mrs. Scott received from her son was full of light banter, and told of his recovery from an attack of influenza. A pathetic fact is that the parents had no photograph of their son. His next present to his mother was to be a photograph of himself in a silver frame. They knew of no reason by Lieutenant Scott should have taken his life, and can only assume that his attack of influenza left him depressed.

WIRELESS IN CHINA.

Peking, Dec. 27.—Having completed Marconi wireless stations at Urga and Urumtsi, which are working satisfactorily, Major Dockray went on to Kashgar. He arrived there on December 23 with a small plant, necessary for the erection of a third station. —*Reuter.*

THE PEKING SENATE.

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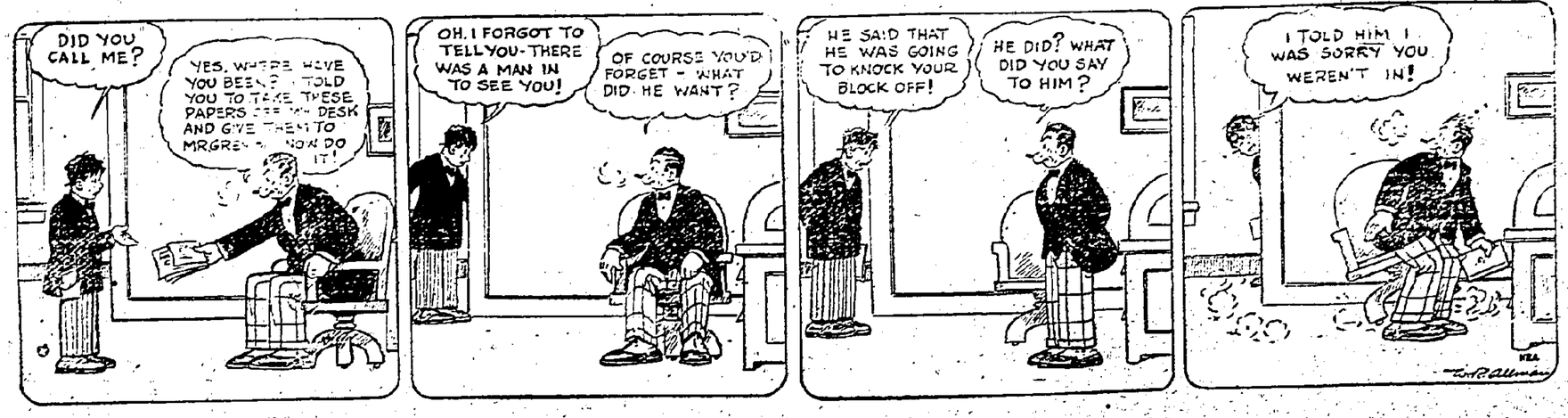

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MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.

Missing Passengers and Luggage.

Passengers aboard ships have, so far as we are aware, never been known to jump overboard, taking their travelling trunks with them, and even the bold pirates of old usually made their victims leave their luggage behind when forcing them to "walk the plank," but unless two Chinese have chosen a novel method of committing suicide, the river steamer Loongwo, when she left Hankow for Shanghai on her latest trip, must have had two mischievous ghosts on her passenger list who drag about with them a couple of phantom trunks, says a recent issue of the *Shanghai Mercury*. The native newspapers dismiss the whole affair by describing it as "most extraordinary," but we should imagine that neither Sir Arthur Conan Doyle nor Sir Oliver Lodge would be content to let it go at that.

The Loongwo was sailing from Hankow to Shanghai and among the passengers were two men who boarded the steamer at the former port, bringing with them a lot of baggage. They booked Room No. 6 stating that the compradore of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. at Hankow had reserved it for them. They were, consequently, allotted this room and when the steamer passed Nanking were seen drinking together. At Wuhu the room was empty of passengers and luggage and the officers were puzzled to their wits' end for obviously the passengers could not have landed at Nanking for the steamer did not stop there. The Chinese papers report that according to the Loongwo's steward the two men were Cantonese and appeared to be very wealthy.

Here, then, is a story as picturesque and dramatic as anyone we have heard related in connection with those who go down to the sea in ships, only on this occasion it concerns passengers who travel on a great river.

"POPPY DAY" THIEVES.

Twice Convicted Woman as Collector.

Severe strictures on flag-day arrangements were made by Sheriff Blair at Glasgow Sheriff Court recently, when fifteen "Poppy Day" collectors, who had stolen money from collection boxes on Saturday, came up for disposal. One girl, aged 14, have been discharged from the Police Court earlier in the day.

"The sooner an inquiry is made into the whole question of this flag-day collecting the better," the Sheriff said, when three of the women, one with two previous convictions, appeared in the dock and admitted stealing over £10 from the boxes. He asked how it was that a woman with two previous convictions was accepted as a collector, and said he thought it did not say much for the organization that women of this description should be allowed to go on the streets collecting for a charitable organization.

Mr. James Adair, the Deputy Fiscal, urged that very stringent arrangements should be made to ensure that only respectable persons should be accepted and a new method of selecting them ought to be devised. It would be better if the police were empowered to issue licences to persons entrusted with boxes.

Each of these three women was sent to prison for one month. Eight women were each fined £10 or thirty days' imprisonment, for stealing various sums from the boxes. Two women, one of whom collapsed and had to be carried out of court, denied the charge, and were to be tried later, while two girls of 14 who had stolen 33s. and made a tearful appeal to the Sheriff for a chance, were dismissed with a strong admonition.

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PEASANT STYLES

The peasant fashions which have been popular for grown-ups are being shown now in children's frocks.

Wool crepe, wool jersey, light serge and flannel are the materials shown in the first Autumn dresses. Many of the models combine two colours of the same material.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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FRENCH CABINET MEETING.

Paris, Dec. 27.

The importance attached to the meeting of the French Cabinet is apparently borne out by the subsequent convening of the reparations commission at short notice, when the French delegate with the backing of the Italian and Belgian delegates carried a resolution, declaring that Germany had defaulted in respect to her timber deliveries. Sir John Bradbury alone dissented to the action. This tactical move on the eve of the resumption at Paris of the Premiers' Conference adjourned in London is regarded as affording France an opportunity to act alone against Germany, if she so desires.

Le Matin indicates that the French Government is completing a plan for the exploitation of the left bank of the Rhine by the establishment of a Customs' barrier between the Rhineland, the Ruhr Basin and Germany. It is stated the plan provides for the seizure of productive guarantees.

STORM IN ATLANTIC.

London, Dec. 27.

Mariners tell thrilling stories of the Christmas storm, which they declare is the worst in the Atlantic within an extended experience. The toll and damage is not yet measurable, but much wreckage has been washed up. The London steamer Maid of Delos was last heard calling for assistance off the coast of Pembrokeshire. The answering steamer was unable to locate her, and it is feared the crew of twenty-six have been lost.

MURDERED IN A TRAIN.

Barilly, Dec. 27.

The bodies of an Englishman and an Englishwoman, who were travelling on an express train from Dehradun to Gaya have been discovered on the railway track. They were apparently murdered after a severe struggle. Hillmen, who boarded the train are suspected, but there have been no arrests.

A RECORD OBELISK.

London, Dec. 27.

A record obelisk, 133 feet long and weighing nearly 1,200 tons, has been unearthed at Assouan.

DANGER OF CIGARETTES.

Sir J. Cantlie's Advice to Women Smokers.

Sir James Cantlie lectured last month at the Institute of Hygiene on "Smoking and its Effects." Of the four social poisons, alcohol, tobacco, tea, and coffee, the least harmful, he said, was tobacco. Nobody ever died of tobacco poisoning. The form of tobacco which he condemned was the cigarette, which was a constant source of irritation, and should never be smoked. One should smoke the same quantity every day. Tobacco affected the sense of smell and taste even if one did not inhale. Tobacco affected the voice and caused cough. All these things were more serious than the effect of tobacco on the heart. Heart troubles were quickly over, but these other effects were permanent.

Sir James passed on to talk to girls. "Do you young ladies smoke when you are by yourselves?" he asked. If you do, you enjoy it but if you don't, you are only smoking to impress others and make them jealous. Do you smoke to imitate men? Men are poor mortals to copy, but let me tell you that men are stopping smoking because women have taken it up. The smoking girl has lost something of her freshness. Give up smoking, especially cigarettes, for you know smoking paper will give you jaundice."

"What is the use of me telling you to stop smoking?" continued Sir James. "You won't. Take your tobacco regularly, like your other meals. Take it with judgment, like your mutton chop. Thirty cigarettes a day is the limit; twenty should be the limit; ten should be enough for anybody. I would not give anybody more than half an ounce a day." Anybody could smoke that with impunity."

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IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Monday, the 1st. January, 1923.

Hongkong, 27th. Dec., 1922.

NOTICE.

PROF. Danenberg will resume his Piano Lessons in January.

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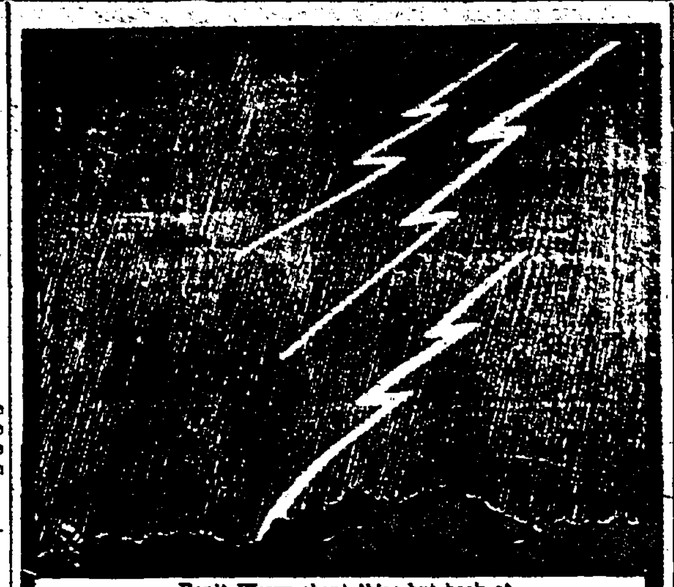
GENERAL NEWS.

LORD MAYOR'S SHOW.

Combining its old-time splendour with a new-time significance, last month's Lord Mayor's Show proved as great a draw as ever. Sightseers eager to get away afterwards sighed for the subways that might have been. Among the humours of the crowd was the enthusiastic merriment of squads of uniformed girl clerks at the windows and on the sills. The bulk of the clapping and cheering came from them. During a long wait between two sections of the procession a street vendor caused some fun with his reiterated "Lord Mayor's Show, all made to wind up." Some short men in the background complained that they could only see the upper part of the Show. "Ain't that enough?" asked a neighbour; "tain't a bloomin' pantomime, ye know."



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TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

A heckler seldom makes such a palpable hit as did one who interrupted the late Mr. Balfour Browne, K.C., at an election meeting at Dumfries, by putting some abstruse question in regard to tariffs. "I do not quite follow the question," replied the candidate "It sounds like a question from some book on political economy, the author of which does not know much of his subject." "Thank you, sir, came the reply; "it is quoted verbatim from your own valuable book on fiscal reform, Mr. Browne!"

Not many poets have written their own epitaphs so finely as two who were affectionately remembered by many on November 13th.—Robert Louis Stevenson, who was born on November 13, 1850, and Francis Thompson, whose life closed on this day 15 years ago. The wording of R.L.S.'s famous verse, graved on his tomb in Samoa, is too well known to need quotation. Those familiar with Thompson's work will know where to find the line, inscribed on the memorial by Mr. Eric Gill in Kensal Green Cemetery—"Look for me in the nurseries of Heaven."

Mr. Kipling's succession to Sir James Barrie as Lord Rector of St. Andrew's recalls an amusing encounter between the two men which proved their taste in literature not always at University level. "The two geniuses met on a railway platform, and Kipling, seeing Barrie with an armful of popular magazines, and having no time to buy for himself, snatched them away and flung some money at their owner. You didn't stop to pick up the coins, I suppose?" said a friend to Barrie afterwards. "Didn't I, though," retorted Sir James, "but he hadn't flung me half enough!"

For the guidance of candidates who are unaware of their hearers' religious leanings, Mr. Arthur Porritt, in his book, "The Best That I Remember," recalls the story of a politician who tested his audience thus: "My great grandfather," he said, "was an Episcopalian (stony silence), but my great grandmother belonged to the Presbyterian Church of Scotland (continued silence). My grandfather was a Baptist (more silence), but my grandmother was a Congregationalist (frigid silence). But I had a great aunt who was a Wesleyan Methodist (loud applause) and—and I have always followed my great aunt." He won the seat.

On November 13th, in the beautiful Sanderstead Churchyard, Mr. George Grolair was laid to rest. He was one of the pioneers of cold storage, and saw the first consignment of frozen meat arrive 42 years ago from Australia. He had many interests outside the wide commercial responsibilities of his City life, for he was a keen Presbyterian, and the Thanksgiving Fund of over £100,000 was his happy idea. He had been president of the literary societies, and at St. Paul's Church, South Croydon, he was a pillar of strength. His death, where life seemed to hold an ever-increasing field of service, is a deep sorrow to a multitude of friends.

The new Lord Mayor's liveries, which were seen formally for the first time last month, often provide the heraldic expert with plentiful opportunity for the exercise of his ingenuity. This year, since London's civic head bears the name of Moore, there is much play with moorland attributes, and heather, harebells, wild poppies, and similar growths figure in the gold embroidery on the garb of the footmen, and a moorcock is the primary device in the coat of arms. The coats of the footmen are made of velvet, a material calling for the most careful and exact exercise of the cutter's art, and the liveries, though offered to tender, have been made by one firm in the City for something like fifty years.

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DAY BY DAY.

A suggestion has come from a high personage in Canton for reclamation work, on the same lines as the Hongkong Praya East reclamation, along the Bund, but objection is raised against the scheme on the ground that the narrowing of the channel would have disastrous results in times of flood.

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The increased cost of firewood, one of the chief necessities of the Chinese, is now stated at Canton to be $1 for 50 catties, and an appeal is now being made to the Canton authorities to suppress the epidemic of piracy on the waterways, which is one of the chief reasons for the scarcity of the material.

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Recruiting generally in the home areas is improving, as is usually the case at this time of the year. With the reduction of the Middlesex Regiment to two line battalions, of course, recruiting for that regiment is off for the time being. A good many men are being got for the King's Liverpool Regiment, the 2nd. Battalion of which is at Hongkong.

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Captain E. L. O. Baddeley, Middlesex Regiment, who recently joined the Royal Air Force, has been seconded for service with that corps. Captain Baddeley was commissioned in the Diehards in 1915—he had previously served with a mobilised battalion of the Special Reserve—was promoted lieutenant in November, 1916; and captain four months ago. He saw considerable war service.

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Commander M. G. B. Legge, D.S.O., the new Senior Naval Officer on the Upper Yangtsze, comes from the destroyer service, having commanded the Forester, Nerissa and Vesper during the war. For his distinguished conduct in the Nerissa at Jutland, where he defeated enemy destroyers and pressed home an attack with torpedoes on the German battle-cruisers, he was awarded the D.S.O.

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General Chan Wing-soo, commandant of the Kwangtung Coast Defence, after an inspection tour at Heungshan, has returned to Canton, being accompanied by members of his staff. Among those who assisted in the inspection were Captain Arthur F. Lym, Chan Tuck Kwong, and George Cheng. While pursuing bandits who have recently attacked Chinshan, General Chan captured and shot six of them. Throughout the inspection tour the party was well received by the gentry of the district, and while it was there details for the defence of different posts were perfected.

THE WAY TO AVOID THEM.

Some persons have known to fall into icy water, and never experience the slightest ailment afterwards. Others travelling in a crowded tram or sitting at home in a draught, are laid up with a heavy cold, or worse still, fall victims to influenza.

The difference is all in the bodily condition at the time. When a person is strong, healthy, able to enjoy a brisk cold day, chills and infections are set at defiance. But when the system is below par, run down, bloodless and nervous, the germs of influenza are quick to seize their opportunity. Go to bed at the first feverish sign of influenza, eat little or nothing and call in the doctor. Remember that when the fever has gone a long period follows during which the system remains low and depressed; there is a great difficulty in regaining strength, and the victim is usually unfit for a normal amount of work.

The way to avoid colds, influenza, and all other infections is to keep the health up to the mark, the nerves steady, the digestion in good working order, the veins full of good, red blood. Because they make good rich blood, and so help the body to resist attacks of colds and influenza, thousands have praised Dr. Williams' pink pills for pale people.

For the same reason they are even more valuable in restoring strength and fitness for work after the system has been weakened by such attacks. If you want to be well lose no time; buy Dr Williams' pink pills from any local dealer to-day, or send $1.50 for a bottle, $3.00 for 6 bottles, to The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co. 96 Szechuen Road, Shanghai.

ARMY AND NAVY CRICKET.

Fine Score by the Senior Service.

In reply to the first innings total of 157 made by the Navy cricket eleven yesterday, the Army succeeded in compiling 154. The soldiers proved a team with an exceedingly weak "tail," for out of their total Capt. Olliver, with a fine 88, and "Mr. Extras," with 34, practically did the scoring for the side. Lieut. Beatty proved deadly with the ball, taking eight of the Army wickets for 37 runs. He bowled 21.2 overs, of which seven were maidens.

The Navy, on going in for second knock, compiled runs very rapidly, and when stumps were drawn had reached 105, with only one wicket down, Lieut.—Com. Hooper and Mid. Evans being still in, with 54 and 31 to their credit, respectively.

To-Day's Play.

The match was resumed to-day, the Navy quite early on adding considerably to their score.

Despite something of a "rot" towards the end, the sailors were able to pass the double century before the last wicket fell. Their second innings scores were as follow:—

Norris c. Howard b. Bacon	12
Hooper l.b.w. b. Davies	69
Evans b. Davies	32
Purcell c. Matthews b. Davies	33
Wood l.b.w. b. Spinks	19
Sharpe b. Spinks	2
Lake c. Pearson b. Spinks	11
Lindsell c. Olliver b. Spinks	1
Gregory, run out	7
Beatty b. Davies	0
Quinlan, not out	0
Extras	15
Total	201

The Army, going in for second knock, commenced badly, and at the time of our going to press had lost three wickets for only 30 runs scored. The batsmen who had succumbed were:

Olliver, who was bowled by Evans for 6; Chester, who was caught by Purcell off Beatty for a "duck;" and Le Fleming, who was caught by Sharpe off Evans after knocking up 4. Pearson and Davies were still in.

CHEFALO AND PALERMO.

At the Star Theatre.

Chefalo and Palermo, who have become popular characters, with Hongkong audiences, made their first appearance in Kowloon, at the Star Theatre, last night, before a full house. That a large percentage of the attendances came over the Harbour, was a tribute, to the drawing power of the entertainment, which, as usual, was distinguished by clever magic and the humorous patter of Chefalo. In addition to the great illusion of "Sawing through a Woman," in which the assistance of several members of the audience was secured, Chefalo and Palermo were seen in a great variety of very clever tricks.

The last night's shows will be presented to day and to-morrow, and on Saturday. There will be a matinee for the benefit of the children

ROBBERS ATTACK VILLAGE.

A Three Hours' Battle.

Our Canton correspondent says that the gentry of Sam Kwai village, in the Shuntak district, have reported to the authorities that a large gang of robbers, about 600 in number, attacked the village at noon on the 21st. instant. Strong resistance was offered by the village "braves," and fighting was continued until three o'clock, when, owing to their numerical inferiority, the "braves" were defeated.

The robbers then plundered the whole of the two hundred houses in the village, took away booty valued at about $50 000 and also carried off some twenty inhabitants of both sexes.

SPEEDERS TO VISIT MORGUE.

Detroit, Nov. 16.—Weekly visits to the morgue were added to the routine of the automobile division of Recorder's Court to-day by Judge Charles L. Bartlett. He announced that hereafter, once each week, men and women convicted of traffic-law violations and given jail sentences would be conducted through the morgue "to view the results of automobile drivers' carelessness."

CONSIDERING THE PUBLIC.

Launches Round Murray Pier.

A case came before the Marine Magistrate, Comdr. Beckwith, this morning in which the master of the Taikoo Law was charged with unlawfully allowing his steam launch to lie alongside Murray Pier, at 3.15 on the 19th. inst. so as to obstruct the free access of other vessels.

A European from the Taikoo Dock Company pleaded that the launch was lying there because it was near their office.

The Marine Magistrate pointed out that the convenience of the public had to be considered and, in cautioning the defendant, ordered that in future any vessel, except the Victoria, which lay alongside Murray Pier and was not discharging or taking on passengers or cargo should be summoned.

PEKING NEWS.

Foreign Loan Precautions.

A Peking telegram states that a rumour prevails to the effect that the Diplomatic Corps will shortly demand control of the resources which have been pledged as security for the repayment of foreign loans.

Another Peking message states that Wong Ching-ting and Lo Chu-sheung will leave for Tsingtao on the 30th. instant to take over the Kiaochow Railway on its being retroceded.

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HANOI FAIR.

And Some Impressions of Indo-China.

(*Special to the "Telegraph."*)

Indo-China, or, more precisely speaking, that part of the peninsula lying between China and Siam which has come under French influence, has received some publicity lately by the holding of a Fair, said to be the largest hitherto arranged in the Far East, this being organised in the capital city of Hanoi. There have been times when the patriotic Frenchman, taking pride in the achievement of "la grande colonie" as he terms the country, and anxious to uphold its prestige, has been heard to deplore its isolated position and to attribute the lack of knowledge of Indo China by the outside world to what he considers a mere accident of geography, which has placed the colony between two of the chief ports of the Far East, at too isolated a spot to permit of direct international steamship connections. Not that that could be laid to his fault. While such views are prevalent in Indo-China amongst many businessmen with whom the writer has come into contact, the determination is also apparent of remedying this state of affairs. Holding faith in the potency of advertisement, found to be successful where other means have failed, there are no more energetic bodies to be found in Indo-China to-day than the newly-established Tourist and Economic Bureaux, which, by an intensive scheme of publicity, are endeavouring to attract outside attention and to bring to world-wide notice the attractions which Indo-China undoubtedly offers for the businessman and the globe-trotter alike. The visit of the late Lord Northcliffe to Indo-China, and, still more recently, that of the native ruler of the country to France have had some effect in this direction, and it is superfluous to say that full advantage has been taken to profit thereby.

On Advertising.

In advertisement, or to, use a more modern expression, "boosting," there is offered a wide field whose limits are subject only to the enterprise or ingenuity displayed by the individual or nation. So we find that French ingenuity realised the advertising worth of the tours of His Majesty Emperor Khai Dinh of Annam and of the late Lord Northcliffe, wielder of a vast influence in the field of newspaper publicity; and the French Press at Paris and in the French Colony made the most of the opportunity presented. The visit of the late Viscount Northcliffe to the ruins of Angkor had hardly ended when the Grand Industrial Exposition at Marseilles again threw into prominence the possibilities of Indo-China, and incidentally reproduced in stucco and lath work the ruins of Angkor about which Lord Northcliffe had so freely written. So much for advertisement. Its growing popularity with other nations should make our American friends look to their laurels.

A Progressive Country.

Every credit must be given to French colonization so far as it relates to the construction of means of communication and to the general betterment of the peoples coming under its care. Those foreigners who are visiting the country at this time of the year to be present at the Fair, will admit that French occupation of the country has brought about a remarkable transformation of the topographical features of the region; with the result that to-day many striking contrasts are presented in comparison with the conditions of about fifteen years ago, when, as the writer recalls, very little inducement was offered for a tour of pleasure in the country. That section of the Department of Public Works concerned with the construction and improvement of highways and other means of communication, impresses one as being a very lively body, and the changed conditions referred to above will become more and more marked as the large programme now under way nears its completion. Talking with an old colonist encountered in the course of a visit to Hanoi, the writer was impressed by the optimistic strain in which he spoke of the natural resources of this extensive region of Indo-China, where are to be found, or have been adapted to its climatic conditions, most of the requirements of mankind and some that are not necessities but luxuries. Progress is retarded somewhat by the indifference, or want of initiative, of the native who in the main appears content with the life of a worker on the soil or of a small local trader, leaving the vast overseas trade of the nation to other hands. It is not surprising to be informed of many a hard bargain being driven at the expense of these simple folk, in dealings with the more unscrupulous class of Chinese merchants who are very active in commerce in this place.

Commerce and the People.

The ubiquitous Chinese flourishes here as well as in his native land, and is conspicuous by his assiduous application to business, but there have been times when, from one cause or another, there have arisen serious misunderstandings, with the result that friction with the Annamite follows.

The recent boycott was a mild reproach against the behaviour of certain sections of the Chinese settlers. Its personal character was one objectionable feature, but the movement has resulted in at least one benefit from the viewpoint of the natives, who have come to realise the necessity of being their own rice millers and exporters, and this impulse has prompted a growing desire to increase the number of commercial houses that have been established since the boycott. In the writer's view, it only needs a little more encouragement and co-operation from those in authority in the country to obtain the best practicable results from this excellent ambition. Guided into right channels, it could be usefully applied as a potential means of bringing pacification and contentment to the country, for the point must not be overlooked that to be really successful, colonisation must first look to the improvement of the general living conditions of the inhabitants. The establishment of free schools in the country has been a step in the right direction, and it is with pleasure that those who have the real interests of France and her important dependency at heart notice a further reform, in the relaxation of much of the routine of passport regulations in order to facilitate the efforts of those Annamites who seek commercial connections or desire to improve their education by going abroad.

An Economic Policy.

To this welcome change is traced a general reform having its inception at the conclusion of the late war, when the necessity of a sounder economic policy, calling for the expansion and conservation of the natural resources of France and her colonies, became apparent. Application of this policy to Indo-China necessarily covers a wide range, due to its size, the richness of the natural resources and the number of its inhabitants. We find that, on the one hand, the Tourist and Publicity Bureaux has lately taken in hand the task of stimulating foreign interest in the country by an extensive system of publicity, and to attract visitors, particularly those from America, with which country an important trade is growing up. Various places of interest, of which there are admittedly many, have enabled the organizers to draw up itinerants of attractive trips. On the other hand, the Economic Bureau is most active in its own sphere and has been mainly instrumental in the organization of the annual Colonial Fair at Hanoi, which this year assumes greater proportions than it has done since its establishment as an annual function in 1918.

The Fair.

A considerably large township of 200,000 inhabitants, with its European quarter laid out on the lines of a garden city, Hanoi, as the writer found it on the 16th. instant, expressed itself as being in holiday mood as, with flags and decorations adorning the principal public buildings, it strove to put on a festive appearence under somewhat unfortunate weather conditions. The crowd coming up by train from Haiphong was in the right spirit, however, and, together with the *Hanois*, made light of the rain and mud. The Fair was uppermost in the minds of everybody, and every object displayed received due share of interest and attention.

A Picturesque Scene.

Occupying a vast space in the European Concession, the Fair was perhaps the most extensive of its kind, representing as it did every industry in the country. Promptly at nine o'clock on Sunday morning, 17th. December, the Acting Governor-General, M. Baudoin, opened the proceedings with a speech in which reference was made to the economic value of the function. The spacious Agricultural Hall which housed some of the exhibits formed the central point around which were grouped in symmetrical order numerous stands, each accommodating goods representative of each section of the country. An exposition rather than a Fair, with the difference that no official recognition was given to the standard of the goods in the form of awards, the exhibits on display were the best of their respective classes.

A formidable tariff wall has carefully fostered the expansion of the country's industries and the growth of its exports, and this policy was put to wider expression by the unexampled facilities provided and arranged weeks ahead for the forwarding to the Fair of goods at no great expense to the dealers. The result was eminently satisfactory from the point of view of the energetic organizers, for not only was Annam proper, Tonkin, Cochin China, Laos, Cambodia (the five provinces of the Union) represented, but Yunnan, into which French economic influence has penetrated as a result of the establishment of the railway from Hanoi, had its own section, devoted to the exhibition of beautiful rugs and skins, curios and other works of art. Ever ready to admire and appreciate works of artistic value which fall short of his own resourcefulness in manufacture, the Annamite derived great interest in the goods displayed, and objects in porcelain found in him a ready purchaser.

Characteristic Industries.

Native industries were expressed at their highest value in a great variety of decorative exhibits, and the curio-hunter found much to interest him in the display. Objects exquisitely carved out in ivory, in hard wood and other products of the jungles of the interior stocked the majority of the stands. To give in detail here a description of the goods would be impossible, but reference may be made to the character of the principal exhibits.

Tonkin, as the northern section of the Indo-China is termed, is a thriving region, and its capacity for intensive production, apart from rice and other grain, exceeds any of the other provinces included in the old native Empire. To this fact is due the large space required for the exhibition of its native industries. We find in this section beautiful black and hardwood furniture pieces and bric-a-bracs, delicately carved and in many cases artistically inlaid with mother-of-pearl. The material for this decoration has to be imported, but so firmly has the industry been implanted, and so high is the standard of workmanship, that it can be considered as unique and characteristic of the better works of art of the country.

Another industry occupying an equally important place in foreign estimation is that of embroidered goods, worked out in a remarkable variety of designs on satin, silk or cotton background. For thoroughness and patience with the needle the native girls and women are hardly to be exceeded. A pillow case, an elaborate portiere, wall tapestries for service or decoration—all these present a wide range for selection, and are offered at prices much below those asked here for corresponding articles of inferior value.

The same high standard of skill is evident in the manufacture of lace, which occupies an important place in the Exposition. Tonkinese hand-made lace has acquired a reputation almost as good as that of the Belgian product and has won an important place in the exports of the country, particularly to America.

Imports from France, chiefly machine goods and motor cars, had a place in the Exposition and undoubtedly found good customers in a country where the existence of good highways has enabled an extensive market to be set up for these goods. There are 3,500 cars in the country, and these are all of French make except a few hundred Ford automobiles which appear to be the only favourite type of foreign car.

Taken as a whole, the Fair is representative of the industries of the country and indicative of the ready adaptation of native energy and enterprise to the manufacture of modern requirements.

The "Pousse-pousse."

In closing, a few words may appropriately be added regarding the means of locomotion in Hongkong and the French Colony. The favourite vehicle in the latter place is the *pousse-pousse*, which, though not dissimilar in appearance to the Hongkong rickshs, is as different from the latter as a victoria carriage is to a bull-cart. There are the usual shafts for the coolie to draw, but what commends the *pousse-pousse* to the patronage of the traveller is that the body is far more comfortably designed, is placed on springs and is fitted to wheels equipped with pneumatic rubber tyres. The effect of this is the reducing of every jolt and shake to the barest minimum and to make riding in a *pousse-pousse* a real pleasure. A beautiful type with elegant brass fittings, and deep rug-covered cushions, was on display at the Fair, and attracted a great deal of attention by its suggestion of luxury and comfort.

The Fair is being continued until the 31st. instant. With a military band kindly loaned by Emperor Khai Dinh for the occasion, a troupe of revue and operatic artistes performing in the Municipal Theatre every alternate night, and Harmston's Circus arriving in time to add its attractions to those of the Fair, Hanoi is a lively place these days—barring the incessant rain and mud.

"THE TEMPEST."

The Matinee Performance.

Yesterday afternoon's matinee performance of "The Tempest" must have been hugely enjoyed by the many children who were present. And the grown-ups, too, were able to see to what a pitch of perfection the art of stage adornment and lighting can be raised. It will be because of the scenery colourings, the costumes and the beauty of the settings that we shall best remember the A.D.C.'s production of Shakespeare's play. We shall not have very much cause to remember that the play was by Shakespeare, but we can never forget that the production was Mr. Sinclair's. And, if we were going to be unkind enough to criticise, we would say that it is there that the producer has made a mistake. There has been too much attention to settings, costumes, dances, music, thunder storms, limelights, etc., and too little attention to the clear and intelligent rendition of the beautiful words of the great author. But that which Mr. Sinclair has super-imposed on the work of the playwright is truly artistic and there will be few in this Colony who will not think that the production is, perhaps, the finest the Club has given.

We have already paid our tribute to those taking part, and, on seeing them again yesterday afternoon, we would once again remark that the very highest credit is due to them. The leading characters—Prospero, Ariel, Ferdinand, Miranda and Caliban—could scarcely have been in better hands, whilst all the minor parts were sustained in true sympathy. The dancers, the vocalists—and the music to which they danced and sang—very ably contributed to complete Mr. Sinclair's production, "The Tempest In Fanciful Conceit."

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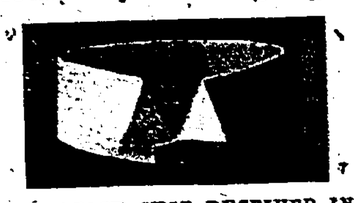

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Suffrage hitherto has aroused less interest among women of France than among those of any other European country. But now interest is being awakened, as shown by these women stumping near Paris. Banners read "To protect children women should vote," "To combat alcoholism, women should vote."

"His Majesty's Opposition" in the House of Commons is now led by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Labour leader, who now gains power by the success of the Labour party in the recent elections.

Smiling, ex-Premier and Mrs. Lloyd George with their daughter, Megan (just behind her mother), leaving No. 10 Downing Street, after many years of strenuous political life.

Armoured motor cars, equipped with wheels which make it possible for these gasoline-driven vehicles to run on railway tracks, are used by the Free State forces to repel the irregular troops. This shows a patrol between Cork and Mallow where hold-ups by irregulars have interrupted train service.

This photograph, shows Benito Mussolini, Premier of Italy, leading his triumphant Fasciati through Rome where he was confirmed in office by the King.

Mickey Walker realized the great ambition of his life when he wrested the welterweight title from Jack Britton, veteran champion, in their fifteen-round battle at Madison Square Garden, New York. Photo shows, left to right, Walker, the referee and Britton, snapped just before the battle.

Herr Cuno, the new German Premier, who is director-general of the Hamburg-America Line.

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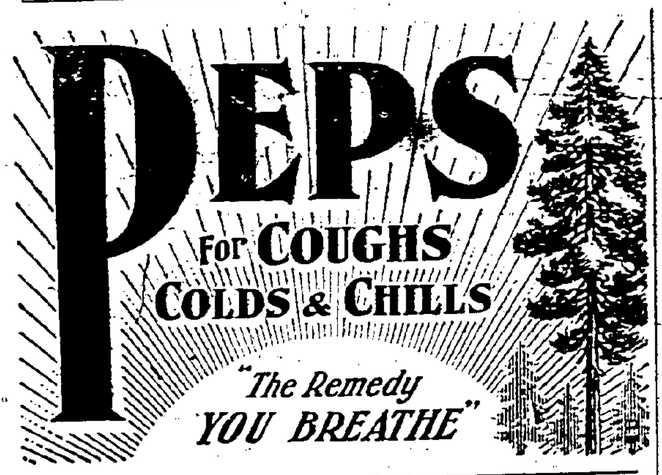

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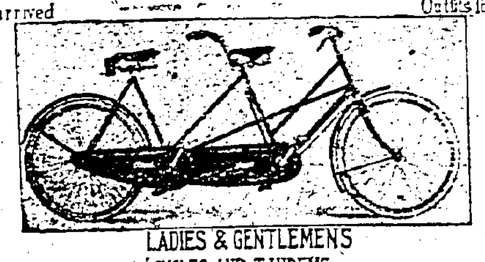

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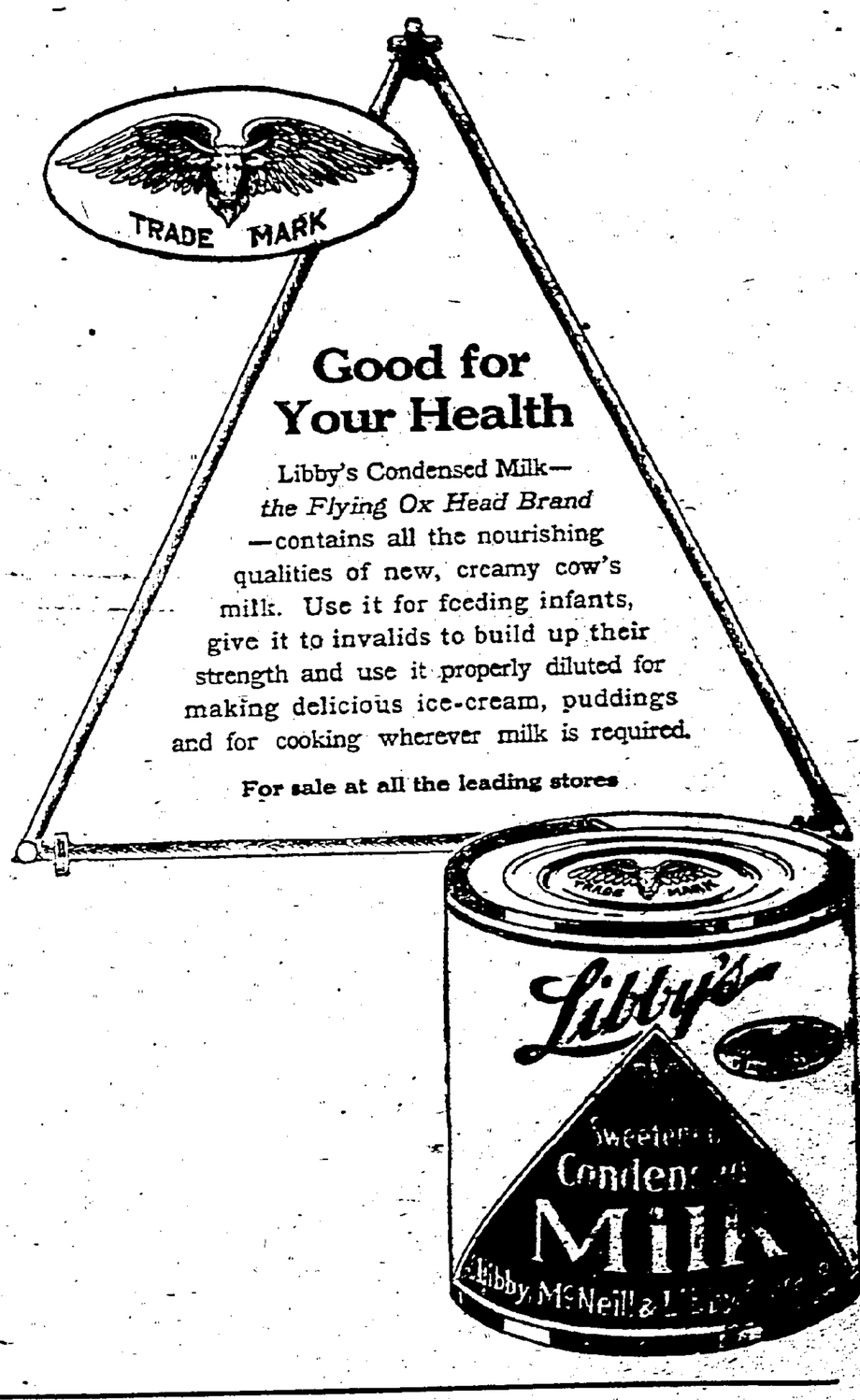

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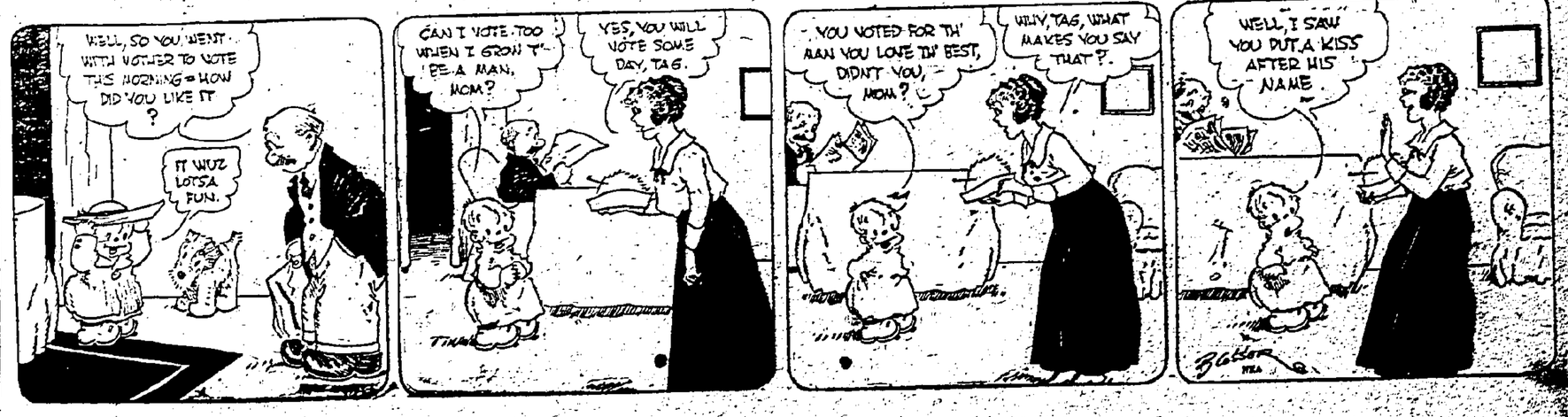

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1 "	"E" Whisky
1 "	Dewar's White Label Whisky
1 "	Spey Royal Whisky
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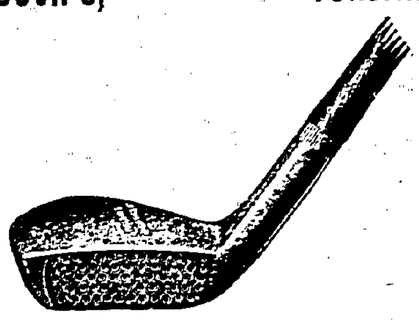

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DEATH.

EDMONDS.—At Bristol, England, on Nov. 12th. Betty, dearly beloved daughter of Harold and Ethel Edmonds, of Hongkong, aged 2½ years.

LEISHMAN.—At the Peak Hospital, Hongkong, on Dec. 27th. 1922, William Leishman, third engineer, of the Wo Sang, aged 32 years. The funeral will pass the Monument to-day at 5 o'clock.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 28th Dec., 1922.

OPIUM.

Some weeks ago, our Nanning correspondent, in an interesting account of conditions in West River towns, stated that everybody talks opium, thinks opium, dreams opium, smuggles opium and snatches at every available silver coin with which to purchase opium. The same story is told in another contribution from the pen of the same correspondent which appears in to-day's issue There is a regular scramble for silver, because silver means opium, the trade in which at present yields tremendous profits. So great has the craze become that even the country folk are selling their fields in order to invest in opium, and a sorry tale is told of some of these people being rendered penniless by reason of the sinking of a cargo of the drug in which they had invested all their money.

It is easy to understand the mentality of these people, who, accustomed to a life of relative poverty, see in participation in the opium trade a chance of getting rich quickly. It is the same spirit as that which animates gamblers in stocks and shares—the desire to accumulate riches without the necessity of long years of toil. It does not matter whether the commodity be opium or anything else—in the long run the process amounts to something very much akin to selfishness, if not greed. To a greater or lesser extent we are all victims of the same craze. If the truth could be laid bare, the probability is that most of us are out East because of a belief that we could make more money here in quicker time than we could in the Old Country—although these are days in which disillusionment comes to upset and falsify the hopes of the past.

But the purpose of these comments is not so much to enter into this particular aspect of the question. What we wish to stress is that, despite all the high-sounding proclamations and inhibitory mandates against the traffic in opium, the trade goes on in open and unabashed fashion here in South China, as is so many other parts of the country. There is no evidence that we can see to warrant the belief either that the Chinese people are giving up opium or that the officials are seriously combating the traffic in the drug. With the facts thus, we cannot help but thinking that it is up to China to prove by deed as well as word that she is determined to do her part in the anti-opium campaign before other Powers are called upon to make further sacrifices. At present, opium-growing and the trade in the drug are rife in many parts of the country, and it is surely reasonable to state that China can hardly expect sympathy and assistance from others unless she shows a willingness to help herself.

Sinn Fein.

The Irishman has for many years been made the butt of most of the caustic English jokes, and certainly the contradictions to be found in Ireland appeared to justify in some measure this poking of fun at the country and its people. It became traditional that one could not take anything Irish seriously, except the whisky. Most Britons, and not a few Irishmen among them, have been hoping to see the Emerald Isle settle down at last under the new regime of a Free State Government. At the most they expected to have two factions—the National forces and the rebels. Sinn Fein for the most part was expected to be on the rebel side, though many Sinn Feiners are known to have accepted the Free State rule. Now, however, just when everything is in the making, so to speak, we get a meeting of Sinn Fein Clubs, the members of which, without stating definitely that they are against the Government, desire to secure "a just and permanent peace." The Free State authorities evidently consider that the peace with Britain is a just one, and permanent so far as that Government is concerned. They will probably intimate to the Ardfheis that they intend to make it permanent in Ireland as well.

Turkish Arguments.

If anyone ever doubted that the Oriental, especially of the Near and Middle East, was a born bargainer, his doubts must have been dispelled by now, after reading the news cables of the past few weeks relating to the Lausanne Conference. The Turks have carried on an almost extraordinary amount of haggling, which seems incongruous at a serious international council. The procedure appears to be something like this——the Allies put forward certain propositions, practically their minimum terms; the Turks offer various objections, and suggest alternatives, less drastic for themselves; and eventually something of a "fifty-fifty" settlement is reached. So the conference goes on, wearily enough. We suggest that the Allies adopt the ancient ruse of the Oriental shopkeeper, and at the outset propose far more drastic terms than they intend ultimately to accept. They could then clinch a bargain more readily, and there would be less likelihood of the conference lasting until 1924.

OBITUARY.

Mr. Wm. Leishman.

The seafaring community will read with deep regret of the death of Mr. William Leishman, third engineer of the Wo Sang, which occurred at the Peak Hospital yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Leishman, who was only 32 years of age, had been in the service of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company since March, 1920. He was taken ill and was admitted to the Peak Hospital on Saturday night. He died yesterday afternoon at ten minutes to three of pneumonia. He leaves a widow, who is at present at Kirkcaldy, Scotland.

The funeral will pass the Monument this afternoon at five o'clock.

DAY BY DAY.

I PREFER THE SMALL THINGS ONE CAN DO TO THE BIG THINGS ONE CANNOT DO.—*Captain Coote.*

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The Filipino community is giving a musical evening at the City Hall on Saturday night in honour of the Filipino patroit, Dr. Jose Rizal.

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The health return for the past week shows two deaths from plague (Chinese), one fatal case of enteric fever (Chinese) and two non-fatal cases of diphtheria (one Chinese and one Eurasian).

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Lam Wing, the Sanitary Department coolie, who was found guilty at the November Criminal Sessions of having fatally stabbed Tam Tat, was hanged at Victoria Gaol at daybreak yesterday.

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In connection with the Kowloon Dock Staff Ball, to be held to-morrow night, launches will be available for the guests from Hongkong at Blake Pier at the following times:—8.15, 8.30 and 8.45 p.m.

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A plot of Crown land at Shaukiwan, with an area of 577 square feet, was sold by auction at the offices of the P.W.D. yesterday afternoon to Mrs. Jung Fung-ngan, for $1,420. The upset price was $443.

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Mr. Gershom Stewart, formerly of Hongkong, easily held his seat in the Wirral Division at the General Election. He polled 12,888 votes, against 8,014 cast for the Liberal candidate and 4,363 for the Labour nominee.

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The motor car raffle in aid of the Swatow Typhoon Relief Fund was duly drawn on Christmas Day in Canton, in the presence of a large crowd, the winning number being ticket No. 2489, which was held by a student in Canton.

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General Ngai Bong-ping has returned to Canton from his trip up north and is now staying at his private residence, according to word brought down by a Hongkong business man, who with others was entertained to dinner by the General on Tuesday night

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One of the defeated candidates in the recent Election was the Hon. Bertrand Russell, who stood as a Labourite at Chelsea. Sir Samuel Hoare (Unionist), previous holder of the seat, was returned by 13,437 votes to 4,513. The Hon. Bertrand Russell, it will be remembered, was not long ago on a visit to China and Japan.

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Mr. Walter Walsh, passenger agent of the Admiral Oriental Line in Hongkong, is to leave for San Francisco by the President Jefferson to-morrow. During his three years' residence in the Colony, Mr. Walsh has made numerous friends amongst the British and American communities, and he will be especially missed in social and sporting circles, where his joviality made him most popular. His numerous friends hope that he will return to the Colony later.

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It is not often that the London *Times* goes out of its way to praise a picture but of "Thy Soul Shall Bear Witness," the great Swedish film which is being shown at the Kowloon Theatre this week, it said: "In our opinion it is a great step forward both in the nature of the theme and the way in which it is treated. The acting and the production are alike remarkable." Films like "Love's Crucible" and "The Flame of Life" have shown local cinema-goers something of what Scandinavian producers can do, but "Thy Soul Shall Bear Witness" will be found to be far ahead of its forerunners.

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In the Summary Court, yesterday, Mr. Justice Gompertz gave judgment in the action in which John Manners and Co., formerly trading as Manners and Backhouse, sued Wong Fung-shek, trading as Fung Shek Ore, for $399.05, damages for breach of contract. The claim was admitted, with the exception of a sum of $92.13, the differences in an exchange contract made by plaintiff with the Chartered Bank when the contract was signed and when, on defendant's failure to complete the contract, he had to re-sell. His Honour disallowed this part of the claim on the ground that the damages claimed were too remote. Plaintiff was represented by Mr. M. H. Turner and defendant by Mr. E. Davidson.

FOOTBALL TIPS.

Prospects for Saturday.

(BY "QUIZ.")

Saturday's games in the Hongkong League are as follow:—

Division I.

Hongkong Club v. Durban.—Club ground.

Police v. Kowloon.—Navy "B" ground.

R.G.A. v. Ambrose.—Sookunpoo "A" ground.

Hawkins v. Tamar.—Navy "A" ground.

South China v. King's.—South China ground.

Division II.

Auxiliaries v. St. Joseph's.—Sookunpoo "B" ground.

King's v. R.G.A.—Sookunpoo "A" ground.

Kowloon v. Warders.—Railway ground, Kowloon.

Marazion v. South China "B."—St. Joseph's ground.

Titania v. University.—Navy "A" ground.

Ambrose v. Durban.—Navy "B" ground.

Hawkins v. Police.—Club ground.

United A.C. v. South China "A."—South China ground.

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A fast game should be seen on the Club ground this week, and the home team should reverse the result of last week's game, when they went down to the Durban by four goals to one. In the game last week they were not three goals inferior to the sailors, but luck was against them. With better shooting, the results would have been probably reversed, but, playing at home this week should see them back in their old form and secure the points. Goldenberg, who was out for the first time this season, played a dashing game and should be given another trial. The sailors can stay the distance and, should the Club take the lead early, they will find that the sailors are not beaten until the final whistle sounds. This season they have pulled the game round in the closing minutes, when they have appeared to be a beaten side.

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The Police are due this week against the Kowloon team on Navy "B" ground. They failed to appear last week against the Tamar who were on the ground early. A claim for points will no doubt be put forward by the sailors for the non-fulfilment of the fixture. The visitors should win this week. They pulled the game round last week against the Titania, for after being two down at the interval, they managed to make a creditable draw. Duncan is in great shooting form just now and manages to score one or two goals in practically every match. Should the Police turn out, they will be without Swan, but they should give Kowloon a good game.

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At Sookunpoo this week the R.G.A. receive the Ambrose, and a fast game should be seen. These teams met on the Navy ground last week and the sailors won by three goals to nil. The R. G. A. were unlucky to go down by so many goals, for in the opening half the play was in their favour. The soldiers will be out to reverse last week's result, and we wish them luck.

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The game between the naval teams on the "A" ground will draw a large crowd of blue jackets, and, on form, an even game should be seen, with the flagship just getting home. Both teams have had reverses lately, the flagship going down in consecutive matches to the Ambrose, R.G.A. and King's, while the Tamar has lost to the Durban and R.G.A. in their last two matches.

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The game of the Division this week is undoubtedly that between the King's and South China, on the latter's ground. The military team has established a strong lead in Division I, and, unless the unforeseen happens in this match, they should strengthen their position at the head of the table. South China should not be treated too lightly, for they will make the soldiers go all the way, and while they have had a fortnight's rest the military team have been playing several hard games and will probably find the locals too speedy in this match. The result may come as a surprise.

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In the Junior games, the two military teams are due out at Sookunpoo, and although the game should go to the King's on form, the R.G.A. may be expected to give them a good run. These teams have met before when the King's got home by the odd goal in three.

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St. Joseph's should easily win against the Auxiliaries at Sookunpoo, and Kowloon against the Warders at Kowloon. The Marazion and South China "B" are due out on the St. Joseph's ground, and a fast game should end in a draw. Titania and University meet on the Navy "A" ground, and as the University will be without Dr. Samy, the sailors should share the points. The game on the "B" ground should be in favour of the Durban. The Hawkins, who head the League, are due to play their postponed fixture with the Police on the Club ground this week. The sailors should have an easy win. A good game should be seen on the South China ground between the United and South China "A." Both teams had a win last week, but a protest has been entered against the "A" team for playing First division men in this game. On recent form, the United should win, but they will find the locals hard to beat.

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Further details regarding the Interport fixture with Shanghai are to hand and Committees are now working to make the fixture a success.

HOLIDAY CRICKET.

University Past v. Present.

This match will take place on January 1st, at 11 a.m. on the University Cricket Ground at Pokfulam.

The following will represent the Past:—Hon. Dr. C. Severn (Capt), Messrs. C. Choa, W. Gittins, W. Hall, G. A. V. Hall, H. C. Hunt, Ng Sze Kwong, S. H Ong, A. H. Rumjahn, S. Jex, Yew Mun Tsun and A. J. Kew (Reserve).

The Present will be represented by:—Messrs. A. A. Rumjahn (Capt.), H. N. Balhetchet, B. P. Ng, M. B. Osman, C. A. Petersen, R. Ponsonby Fane, F. A. Redmond, M. Roffey, J. L. Shellshear, T. E. Yeoh and Yeow Tuck Oon.

Indian R.C. 2nd. XI v. University 2nd. XI.

The following will represent the I.R.C. in a friendly match against the University on Saturday at 2.15 p.m. at Sookunpoo Valley:—E. Moosdeen, H. D. Rumjahn, F. M. Arculli, I. Hassan, A. Kitchell, J. Ackbar, A. R. M. Samy, D. Mahomed, N. M. Bux, A. G. Abbas and A. K. Minnu.

CANTON LABOUR UNION.

Big New Body Formed.

Our Canton correspondent reports that a big new labour organisation, named the General Labour Union, has been formed. Notices have been issued to the various labour societies and parties asking them to appoint representatives to take part in a grand procession on January 1st., to celebrate the creation of the new organisation.

League Tables.

Division I.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agt.	P.
King's	11	9	1	1	27	6	19
Club	12	7	4	1	23	13	15
Ambrose	12	7	5	0	17	14	14
Hawkins	10	5	2	3	20	11	13
S. China	11	5	5	1	19	15	11
Tamar	10	4	3	3	13	13	11
Kowloon	10	4	4	2	14	17	10
Durban	9	3	5	1	11	16	7
Titania	7	2	3	2	11	12	6
R.G.A.	10	2	7	1	12	23	5
Despatch	4	1	2	1	7	9	3
Carlisle	4	1	3	0	5	11	-2
Police	8	0	6	2	4	23	2

Division II.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals For	Goals Agt.	P.
Hawkins	10	10	0	0	49	7	20
King's	8	8	0	0	34	1	16
St. Joseph's	6	6	0	0	25	2	12
United	9	5	2	2	16	11	12
S. China B.	6	5	0	1	17	4	11
R.G.A.	6	5	3	1	20	14	11
Kowloon	8	3	4	1	14	16	7
Titania	7	3	3	1	9	14	7
S. China A.	8	3	4	1	11	24	7
Ambrose	8	3	5	0	9	23	6
Marazion	5	2	2	1	10	9	5
University	5	2	3	0	10	13	4
Durban	6	2	4	0	11	18	4
Police	7	1	6	0	4	19	2
Despatch	2	0	2	0	2	6	0
Carlisle	4	0	4	0	4	12	0
Warders	8	0	8	0	4	28	0
Auxiliaries	8	0	8	0	2	28	0

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	Stock Exchange.		Sharebrokers' Association.	
Banks.				
H.K. & S. Bank	sa.	935	b.	935
£35 paid				105
Bank of E. Asia	n	104½		
Marine Insurances.				
Cantons	b.	475	b.	475
North Chinas	b	$138	n.	140
Unions	n.	222	b.	221
Yangtzes	b.	26	b.	26½
Fire Insurances.				
China Fires	n.	115	b	117
H.K. Fires	b.	440	b	440
Shipping.				
Douglases	s.	52	s.	52
H.K. Steamboats	b.	30	b.	30
Indos (Pref.)	b	37½	n.	35
Indo Def. Lon/Reg.	n.	245		
Indo Def. H.K. Reg.	n.	245	n.	220
Shells	b.	82/-	n.	82/-
Ferries	n.	40	n.	40
Refineries.				
Sugars	n.	152	n.	152
Malabons	b	58½	b.	57
Mining.				
Kailans	b.	55/-	n.	64/-
Langkats				
Shanghai Lots	n	$18¼	s.	18½
Thai Explorations				
Raubs	s.	6	n.	6¼
Tronohs	b.	23.-		
Oral Caspians	n.	10/9		
Remount Con	b.	P. 2¼		
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.				
H.K. Wharves	b.	166	n.	168
K. Docks	b.	181	n.	181
Thai Docks	n.	95½	sa.	94½
C. Engineerings	n.	$8.60	n.	8¾
Shai Honkews	s.	194		
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.				
Centrals	b.	219	b.	210
H.K. Hotels Old	b.	29	Old b.	29¼
New	b.	23½	New b.	23¾
	b.	258½	b.	258½
H.K. Lands	b.	18¼ sa. 17.90/18	b.	17 60
Humphreys Est.	b.	85	b.	85
Kowloon Lands	b.	213	b.	214
L. Reclamations				
Cotton Mills				
Ewos	b.	13 85	b.	14
Orientals	b.	8¾	b.	9
Thai Cottons	n.	119	b	117½
Miscellaneous				
Cements	b.	21½	b. 21¼ s. 21.80	sa. 21.65/21½
China Light old	n.	16	b.	15.10
China Light new				
China Providents	b.	25¾	b.	26
Dairy Farms	b.	22.90 sa. 22.90/23	b.	23
Electrics H.K. Old	b.	23	Old b. 23	New b. 22
Electrics Macao	n.	37		
Hongkong Ropes	b. sa.	39	b. 39	s. 39½
Hk. Tramways.	b.	17.30	b.	17½
Peak Trams, old	b.	10¼	b.	10¼
Do. new	b.	1	b.	1¼
Steam Laundries			s.	12¼
Steel Foundries	n.	12¼	b. 17	s. 18
Water-boat	b.	17	b.	13½
Watsons	b.	13¾		
Wm. Powells	b.	18		
Wisemans			b.	22¼
Crawfords	b. sa.	22¼	b.	9
Canton Ices	b.	9	n.	22.30
Nanyang Tob.			b.	11
Sincerss				
H.K. Constructions	b. 4.35 sa. 4½			

Hongkong, December 28, 1922.

SHIPPING NEWS

The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:—

Vessels Arrived.

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Korea M.	T K K	San Frisco via Manila	A 3
Pres. Jefferson	Ad Line	Manila	Kow. Wht.
Paoting	B & S	Canton	C 39
Yingchow	,,	,,	B 9
Hydrangea	Chia On	Swatow	Co's Wht.
Haifoong	Douglas & Co.	Foochow via Swatow	,,
Hanoi	Lapicque & Co.	Haiphong via K C Wan	B 15
Gunzan M.	Yamashita	Macao	C 45
Kwanglee	O M S N	Canton	Co's Wht.
Yunnan	B & S	Haiphong via Pakhoi	B 23
El Grillo	A P C	S. Frisco via S'hai	North Point
Wing Fat	Yoshioka	Keelung	B 50

Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure.
Pres. Lincoln	Pacific Mail	San Frisco via Manila	27th Dec.
Tjimanock	J C J L	Dalny via Amoy	,,
West Chopaka	St. Barry	Los Angeles	,,
Fansang	J M & Co.	Canton	28th Dec.
Yatshing	,,	,,	,,
Cheongsaing	,,	,,	,,
Nisshu M.	Sato & Co.	Bangkok	,,
Sheaf Dart	Dodwell & Co.	Canton	,,
Ying Chow	B & S	Shanghai	,,
Ruth Kayser	Carl Bodiker	Yokohama via S'hai	,,
Paoting	B & S	Shanghai	,,
New Mathilde	Yik Tai	Haiphong	29th Dec.
Hydrangea	Chia On	Swatow	,,
Loksang	J M & Co.	Shanghai via Swatow	,,
Haifoong	Douglas & Co	Foochow via Swatow	,,
Chipshing	J M & Co.	Singapore via Hongay	,,

Impending Departures.

(Compiled from our Shipping Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Suiyang	B & S	Shanghai	28th Dec.
Kaying	B & S	Singapore	28th ,,
Yingchow	B & S	Tsingtao	28th ,,
Chishna	B & S	Singapore	29th ,,
Moji M.	N Y K	Japan	29th ,,
Loksang	J M Co.	Shanghai	29th ,,
Yingchow	B & S	Tsingtao	29th ,,
Haifoong	D L & Co.	Foochow	29th ,,
Shantung	B & S	Shanghai	29th ,,
Leesang	J M Co.	Hoihow	29th ,,
P Jefferson	Ad. Line	Seattle	29th ,,
Samarang	Nanyo Y K	Japan	30th ,,
Glaucus	B & S	Hamburg	30th ,,
Nellore	P & O	Japan	30th ,,
Hinsang	J M Co.	Sandakan	30th ,,
Yunnan	B & S	Haiphong	30th ,,
Tjikini	J C J L	Sourabaya	30th ,,
Yuensang	J M Co.	Manila	30th ,,
Tean	B & S	Haiphong	30th ,,
Amboise	M M	Japan	30th ,,
Tsuyama M.	N Y K	Japan	30th ,,
Leesang	J M Co.	Hoihow	30th ,,
Muroran M.	N Y K	Colombo	31st ,,
Fausang	J M Co.	Swatow	31st ,,
Kingyuan	B & S	Singapore	31st ,,
Luchow	B & S	Pakow	31st ,,
Drufar	J M Co.	Swatow	31st ,,
Sinkiang	B & S	Tsingtao	31st ,,
Borneo M.	Nanyo Y K	Sourabaya	31st ,,
P. Cleveland	P M Co.	Manila	15th ,,

Impending Arrivals.

(Supplied by our Advertisers.)

Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Tuscania	B & S	Liverpool	28th Dec.
Moji M.	N Y K	Singapore	29th ,,
City of Dunkirk	Bank Line	Suez	29th ,,
Tsuyama M.	N Y K	Singapore	29th ,,
Muroran M.	N Y K	Kobe	30th ,,
Tyndareus	B & S	Seattle	30th ,,
G. Apcar	P & O	Singapore	31st ,,
Empress of Canada	C P S Ld.	Yokohama	1st Jan.

Consignees Diary.

(Compiled from our Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Goods Stored	Free Storage Expires	Claims to be in by	Examination Date
Keemun	B & S	Holt's	Dec. 22	Jan. 11	Tues & Fri.
Wray Castle	D & Co.	Kowloon	Dec. 28	Jan. 8	Dec 28
Diomed	B & S	Holt's	Jan. 2	Jan. 16	Tues & Fri.
Korea M.	T K K	T K K	Jan. 3	Jan. 15	Jan. 3

Steamers' Movements.

Ossaba for Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool and Glasgow left Shanghai 25th, is due here on 28th and will be despatched at daylight on 29th.
Phlegethon left Port Said 23rd inst for London, Hull Antwerp and Rotterdam.
Teucer left Port Said 25th inst for Boston and New York.
Demodocus left Port Said 27th inst. for Marseilles, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.
Tenyo Maru arrived at Yokohama on the 27th instant, and sails 30th instant for Honolulu and San Francisco.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

The General Post Office will be open on Monday, the 1st January from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. only. There will be one collection and one delivery of Ordinary Correspondence as on Sunday and one delivery of Registered Correspondence at 9 a.m. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed. The District Post Offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m and from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. with the exception of Kowloon office, which will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. only and Sheungwan Office which will be open from 8 a.m to 9 a.m and from 5.30 p.m to 8 p.m. There will be one delivery from District Offices at noon.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Shanghai	Luchow	29th Dec.
Straits	Tsuyama M.	29th ,,
Straits	Moji M.	29th ,,
Straits	Kwailin	29th ,,
Shanghai	Muroran M.	30th ,,
Japan	President Grant	30th ,,
U S A., Japan & Shanghai	Gregory Apcar	31st ,,
Straits	Empress of Canada	1st Jan.
U.S. ., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Akita M.	2nd ,,
Calcutta & Straits		
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers, London 30th Nov. & Parcels 22nd Nov.)	Nellore	2nd ,,
Bombay	Tsushima M.	5th ,,
Australia & Manila	St. Albans	6th ,,
Australia & Manila	Aki M.	8th ,,

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Hoihow	Chinhua	Fri., 29 inst., 8 30 a.m
Haiphong	Tean	Fri., 29 inst., 8 30 a.m
*Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haifoong	Fri., 29 inst., 11 a.m.
Saigon	Pong Tong	Fri., 29 inst., 1 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Fri., 29 inst., 2.30 p.m
Haiphong	Chinkiang	Sat., 30 inst., 8 a.m
Hoihow	Leesang	Sat., 30 inst., 8.30 a.m.
Philippine Is.	Yunnasang	Sat., 30 inst., 2 p.m.
Sandakan Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Is.	Victoria	Sat., 30 inst., Registration 2.45 p.m. Letters 3.30 p.m.
	(Due Thursday Is. 11th Jan.)	
Shanghai	Sinking	Sat., 30 inst., 5 p.m
Swatow, Amoy & Takao	Boshu M.	Sat., 30 inst., 5 p.m.
Fort Bayard Hoihow & Haiphong	Hanoi	Sat., 30 inst., 5 p.m.
*Swatow & Bangkok	Drufar	Sun., 31 inst., 9 a.m.
Shanghai	Tsechow	Sun., 31 inst., 9 a.m
Swatow, Amoy & Keelung	Ayakura	Sun. 31 inst., 9 a.m
	JANUARY, 1923.	
Philippine Is.	Pres. Grant	1 inst., 9 a.m
Swatow	Yatshing	Tue., 2 inst., 9 a.m.
Sandakan	Hinsang	Tues., 2 inst., 11 a.m
*Straits, Calcutta & Aden	Nagasing	Tues., 2 inst., 1 p.m

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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Subscribed & Paid up ..... £2,594,160.
Reserve Fund ..... £ 90,000.

Board of Directors:

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The Corporation undertakes General Banking and Exchange Business of every description and in addition to its Branches has Agencies all over the world.

O. CHAMPKIN, Manager.

92, Des Voeux Road, Central, hongkong

THE CHINA SPECIE BANK LTD

HEAD OFFICE:
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Chairman of Board of Directors Mr. Wong Shiu Ham
Chief Manager...Mr. L. S. Holum
Asst. Manager...Mr. K. T. Wong
Hongkong Manager. Mr. I. P. Allen

Foreign exchange and general banking business transacted.
Current, Savings, and Fixed deposits bear interests at rates 3%, 4% and 5% per annum respectively.

L. S. HOLUM, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd October, 1920

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL MAATSCHAPPIJ.

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Established 1884.

A. Capital	F. 100,000,000	$59,111,111
Paid-up Capital	F. 50,000,000	$29,555,555
Reserve Fund	Fl: 28,443,700	$16,809,233
Special Reserve	Fl: 22,160,000	$13,093,333

Head Office:—Amsterdam.
Branches at
The Hague Rotterdam
Head Agency:—Batavia.

BRANCHES:—

Bandjermasin	Macassar	Singapore
Bandoeng	Medan	Sourabaia
Bombay	Padang	Soemarinde (Solo)
Calcutta	Palembang	Tabing Tinggi (Deli)
Cheribon	Pekalongan	Tegal
Djember	Penang	Tjilatjap
Djokjakarta	Pontianak	Tjirebon
Kobe	Rangoon	Wahweredam
Kota-Radja	Samarinde	
Langsa	Shanghai	

Correspondents at Colombo, Madras Pondicherry, Bangkok, Saigon, Haiphong, Hanoi, Amoy, Yokohama, Melbourne, Sydney, New York, San Francisco, etc., etc.

London Bankers:—The National Provincial, and Union Bank of England, Limited.

The Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, issues letters of credit on to Branches and correspondents in the East, in the Continent, in Great Britain, America and Australia and transacts banking business of every description.

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Head Office: 96 Boulevard Haussmann, Paris.

Capital ... Francs 40,000,000
Reserves ... ,, 80,000,000

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Battambang	Mengtsze	Shanghai
Canton	Nounea	Singapore
Dilbouti	Papeete	Tientsin
Haiphong	Pekin	Tourane
Hankow	Phnom-Penh	Vladivostock
Kratie	Pondichery	Yunnanfu

BANKERS:

IN FRANCE: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais; Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas; Credit Industrial et Commercial Societe Generale.

IN LONDON: The National Provincial and Union Bank of England Ltd., Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais.

IN NEW YORK: J. P. Morgan & Co.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Every description of banking and exchange business transacted.

V. MARSOT, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, October 21st, 1918.

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J. Y. LUM, Chief Manager;
R. WEUSTHOFF, Asst. Chief Manager.

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(Specially authorized by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917.)

Authorized Capital..$60,000,000.00
Paid up Capital..... 18,278,600.00
Reserve Funds 9,629,425.24

HEAD OFFICE: PEKING
Hongkong Branch: 4 Queen's Road, Central.

Branches and Sub-branches all over China and Correspondents in Europe, America, and other parts of the world.
London Bankers:—The National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd.
The Guaranty Trust Company of New York.
New York Bankers:—The Irving National Bank. The Equitable Trust Company of New York.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits. Terms on application.
Every description of Banking Business transacted.
Loans granted on approved securities.
Special facilities for Home Exchange.

TSUYEE PEI Manager.

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HEAD OFFICE:—
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Established 1919.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL $10,000,000.00
PAID-UP CAPITAL $5,000,000.00
RESERVE FUND ..... $ 130,000.00

DIRECTORS:

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NAGASAKI	PENANG
SINGAPORE	HANKOW
TIENTSIN	BATAVIA
MANILA	SOURABAYA
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CALCUTTA	CANTON

London Bankers:—The London Joint City and Midland Bank, Ltd.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Loans granted on approved securities.
Interest allowed on Current Deposit Account at the rate of Two per cent. per annum on Savings Account Four per cent. per annum, and on Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—
For 1 months at the rate of 3% per annum
For 6 months at the rate of 4% per annum
For 12 months at the rate of 5% per annum

KAN TONG PO, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, March 9th, 1921.

THE FUTIEN BANK,

22, Connaught Road, Central.

General Banking and Exchange Business Transacted. Loans Granted on Approved Securities.

Interest of Fixed Deposits:—
For 12 months ... 5% per annum.
For 6 months ... 4% per annum.
For 3 months ... 3% per annum.
On Demand ... 2% per annum.

Current Accounts:—
2% per annum on the Daily Credit Balances of over $100.

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Loans granted on approved securities.
Current Accounts opened and Fixed Deposits received on rates which may be ascertained on application.
The Bank also conducts a savings Department.

K. C. HAU, Chief Manager.

BANKS.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

HEAD OFFICE HONGKONG.
Paid-up Capital ... $30,000,000
Reserve Funds:—
Sterling £4,500,000
Silver $23,500,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors $30,000,000

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Manager: Hongkong—A. H. BARLOW, Esq
Manager: Shanghai ... G. H. Bibbs, Esq

LONDON BANKERS:
LONDON COUNTY WESTMINSTER & PARR'S BANK, LIMITED.

Current Accounts opened in Local Currency and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods in Local Currency and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1922.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

The Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
Rules may be obtained on application.
INTEREST on deposits is allowed on Minimum monthly balances at 3½ per annum
For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,

A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 14th. Nov., 1922.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1854.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £3,000,000
RESERVE FUND £3,700,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £3,000,00

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter per cds at rates which will be quoted on application

J. L. CROCKATT, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1914

BANK OF CANTON LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE, HONGKONG

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking Business Transacted.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS.
For 12 Months 5% per annum.
For 6 Months 4% per annum.
For 3 Months 3% per annum.
On Demand 2% per annum.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS
2% per annum on the daily credit balances of over $100.00.

LOOK POON SHAN, Chief Manager.

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Reserve Fund ... Y. 80,000,000

HEAD OFFICE, YOKOHAMA

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Bombay	Kobe	Rio de Janeiro
Buenos Ayres	London	Seerabaya
Calcutta	Lyons	Saigon
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Fengtien Mukden	Nagasaki	Shanghai
Hamburg	Nagoya	Singapore
Hankow	Newchwang	Shimonoseki
Honolulu	Osaka	Sydney
Tokyo	New York	Tientsin
Harbin	Peking	Tsinanfu
	Vladivostock	Changchun.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts. Deposits received for fixed period to be obtained on application.

K. HIRAIYAMA Manager

Hongkong, 11th September 1922.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS ... U. S. $12,500,00
UNDIVIDED PROFITS: U. S. $ 5,452,10
RESERVE FOR DIVIDENDS: U. S. $ 625,00
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HEAD OFFICE: 55 Wall Street, NEW YORK

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INDIA: Bombay, Calcutta, Rangoon
JAPAN: Kobe, Yokohama,
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PHILIPPINE ISLANDS: Cebu, Manila,
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STRAITS SETTLEMENTS: Singapore,
BRANCHES OF THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK.
ARGENTINA: Buenos Aires, Rosario
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BRAZIL: Pernambuco, Porto Alegre Rio de Janeiro, Santos, San Paulo.
CHILE: Santiago, Valparaiso.
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PERU:
PORTO RICO: Ponce, San Juan
RUSSIA: Moscow, Petrograd ... (All closed).
URUGUAY: Montevideo
VENEZUELA: Caracas

All descriptions of banking business undertaken.
Interest allowed on current and savings accounts and fixed deposits by local or foreign correspondence at rates to be ascertained on application.

GEORGE HOOG, Manager.

Hongkong 1st January, 1923.

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Empress of Asia	Jan. 25	Feb. 12	Montclare	Feb. 23	Mar. 3
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Empress of Russia	Feb. 22	Mar. 12	Montclare	Mar. 25	Mar. 31
Empress of Asia	Mar. 22	Apr. 9	Empress of Britain	Apr. 17	Apr. 24
Empress of Canada	Apr. 7	Apr. 25	Montcalm	May 4	May 11
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SHINYO M.	22,000	Jan. 11.	SHINYO M.	22,000 Mar. 5.
SIBERIA M.	20,000	Jan. 26.		

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THENCE BY TRANS-ANDEAN ROUTE TO BUENOS AYRES.

Steamers	Tons	Leave Hongkong	
RAKUYO MARU	17,500	Jan. 24.	
ANYO MARU	18,000	Apr. 23.	Calling at Keelung
GINYO MARU	17,500	May 7.	" "

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BETWEEN
Osaka, Kobe, Moji, Dairen, H'kong, B'via, S'rang & Sourabaya.

Steamers	Destination.	Leaving Hongkong.
PERSIA MARU	Keelung, Moji, Kobe.	December 26th.
PERSIA MARU	Java	January 14th.

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VIA SAIGON, JAVA AND SUEZ.

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S.S. SCHIEDYK ... ... about 16th January.

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Steamers	For	Sailing on or about
OLDEKERK ...	A'dam, R'dam, Hamburg & Bremen	8th Jan.
ROEPAT	R'dam, A'dam, Hamburg & Bremen	Begin. Feb.

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S.S. ESTHER DOLLAR ... ... 5th March.
S.S. M. S. DOLLAR ... ... 20th March.

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S.S. HAROLD DOLLAR ... ... 1st February.
S.S. STUART DOLLAR ... ... 15th February.
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S.S. MACHAON ... via Suez Canal ... 15th Jan.
S.S. CITY OF DUNKIRK ... via Suez Canal ... 25th Jan.
S.S. NINGCHOW ... via Suez Canal ... 5th Feb.

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Mail Steamers	Next Sailings from Marseilles	Pro. arr. at Hkg. and Sailing for S'hai & Japan	Pro. Sailing from H'kong for Europe
AMBOISE	24th Nov.	30th Dec.	27th Jan.
CORDILLERE	1st Dec.	5th Jan.	6th Feb.
ANGKOR	15th Dec.	19th Jan.	20th Feb.
ANGERS	29th Dec.	2nd Feb.	6th Mar.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY IN FORCE FOR THE PRESENT TO MARSEILLES.
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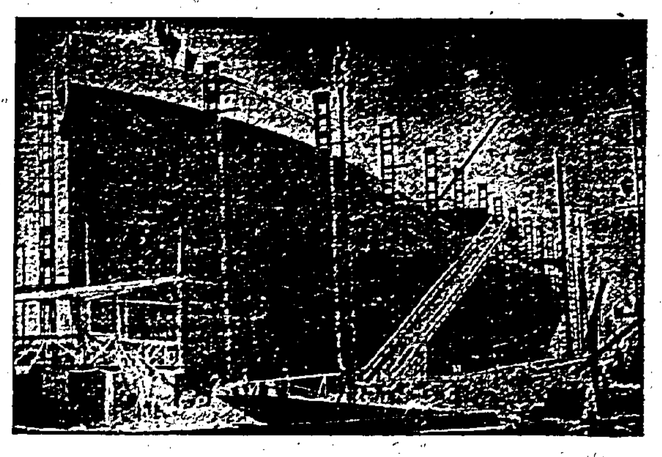

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PRESS AND CHARGE SHEETS.

"Police have no Right to Interfere.

At Greenwich Police Court recently the Magistrate (Mr. Disney) referred to the recent order made by the Commissioner of Police as to the facilities for Press representatives to inspect charge-sheets at the Courts. He said the charge-sheets were entirely under the control of the Magistrate, and the police authority had no right whatever to interfere in any way with the disposal or use to which the Court might put them. Neither the Press representatives nor any one other than the officials of the Court had any right of access to those sheets.

With regard to the rights of the Press, they had no right to publish anything except what was given viva voce in open Court, neither name, nor address, nor anything else, and they did anything else at their peril, for if it were libellous they had to suffer for it. He had the greatest confidence in the loyalty and discretion of the Press representatives who practised at that Court, and was quite sure they would not abuse the privileges which had been given to them. Sometimes it was objectionable to publish an address or name, especially where very young persons were charged, as they might be prevented from getting employment, although they had committed only a first offence. There were also rare cases in which a witness or other person might be subject to terrorism or blackmail. For these and analogous reasons, and these only, would he consent to a name being suppressed.

GENERAL NEWS.

BIRDS OF PARADISE.

As in previous years, hunting crown pigeons and rare species of birds of paradise in New Guinea has again been forbidden, whilst the Resident has now been requested not to issue any licences to hunt the yellow bird of paradise on the islands off the coast of New Guinea without the special sanction of the Government.

HEIR TO £13,000 A YEAR LEAVES £10.

Heir to his half-brother, the second Baron Trevor, the Hon. George Edwyn Hill-Trevor, who died at Bognor, aged 62, left unsettled property valued at only £10. The family estates, which cover some 23,700 acres in England and Wales, produce a considerable revenue, and Mr. Hill-Trevor once stated that if he survived the present peer his interest would be about £13,000 a year. He had been director of various companies which had been unlucky, and he was twice adjudicated bankrupt. For a few months during the war he commanded a battalion of the Middlesex Regiment.

Shipping to Europe, Australia, and other Ports.

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL FORTNIGHTLY DIRECT ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS

(UNDER CONTRACT WITH H. M. GOVERNMENT.)

S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
PLASSY	7,400	10th Jan.	M'lles, London & Antwerp
NAGPORE	5,300	13th Jan.	S'pore, Colombo & Bom'bay
SOUDAN	6,700	20th Jan.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
SARDINIA	6,700	24th Jan.	M'lles, London & Antwerp
NELLORE	6,850	7th Feb.	M'lles, London & Antwerp
DELTA	8,037	7th Feb.	M'lles, London & Antwerp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

JAPAN	6,000	3rd Jan.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TANDA	7,000	15th Jan.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ARAFURA	6,000	3rd Jan.	Manila, Tawao, Thursday Island, Tville, B'bane, Sydney & Melbourne.

Frequent connections from Australia with the following:—
The Union S.S. Company's steamers to the United Kingdom via New Zealand, vancouver, for Francisco, etc.
The P. & O. Royal Mail steamers to London via Suez Canal.
The P. & O. Branch Service of steamers to London via the Cape.
The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

NELLORE	6,853	3rd Jan. noon	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Y'hama
G. APCAR	4,650	2nd Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai & Moji
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Jan.,	Japan direct
SOUDAN	6,700	8th Jan.	Shanghai only

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

WIRELESS ON ALL STEAMERS.

Parcels Measuring not more than 3½ft. x 2ft. x 1ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to noon on the day previous to sailing.

For Passage Rates, Handbooks, Freights etc., apply to

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GLEN AND SHIRE.

JOINT SERVICE OF STEAMERS

U. K., STRAITS, CHINA & JAPAN Service.

OUTWARDS		HOMEWARDS.	
Vessel.	Due Hongkong.	Vessel.	Leaves Hongkong.
GLENSANDA	1st Jan.	GLENIFFER	7th Jan.
RADNORSHIRE	16th Jan.	L. Hull, A'werp, R'dam, H'burg.	
GLENSHANE	26th Jan.	CARNARVONSHIRE	17th Jan.
PEMBROKESHIRE	6th Feb.	G'ca, L., Hull, R'dam & H'burg.	

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

REGULAR FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE BETWEEN

JAVA, CHINA and JAPAN.

S'ships	From	Expected on or about	Will leave on or about	For
Tjikini	Amoy	29th Dec	30th Dec.	Makassar S'baia
Tjisondari	Daloy	1st Jan.	2nd Jan.	Batavia
Tjikembang	Java	4th Jan.	7th Jan.	S'hai, N. China

The steamers are all fitted throughout with electric light and have accommodation for a limited number of saloon-passengers. All steamers carry a duly qualified surgeon. Cargo taken at through rates to all ports in Netherlands-India and Australia.

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JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

Sailings:—To Canton daily at 8 a.m & 10 p.m. (Sun. 10 p.m. only)
From Canton daily at 8 a.m. & 5 p.m. (Sundays 5 p.m. only)

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

Sailings to Macao Daily at 8 a.m. (Sundays at 9 a.m. only)

Sailings from Macao Daily at 8 a.m. (Sundays at 3 p.m. only)

Further information may be obtained at the Company's office, 4A Des Vœux Road Central, Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son or the American Express Company, Hongkong.

Shipping to Europe, Australia, and other Ports.

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE & VANCOUVER via S'hai & Japan ports.
Through Bills of Lading issued to all Overland Common Points in U.S.A. & Canada.
YOKOHAMA M. (Calling Manila) Thurs., 11th Jan. at 11 a.m.
KAGA MARU ... ... Wednesday, 7th Feb. at 11 a.m.

MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, &c.
HARUNA MARU... ... ... Saturday, 6th Jan. at 11 a.m.
KAMO MARU ... ... Wednesday, 17th Jan. at 11 a.m.

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.
MITO MARU ... ... End of January.

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.
DELAGOA MARU ... ... First half of February.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c.
YOSHINO MARU... ... ... Wednesday, 17th Jan. at 11 a.m.
AKI MARU ... ... Wednesday, 14th Feb. at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK & BOSTON VIA PANAMA.
DURBAN MARU ... ... Wednesday, 10th January.

BUENOS AIRES via S'pore, Delagoa Bay, Durban & Cape Town.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
MURORAN MARU ... ... Sunday, 31st December.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
OSAKA MARU ... ... Monday, 8th Jan.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
MOJI MARU (Calling Yokkaichi) Friday, 29th December.
AKI MARU ... ... Tuesday, 9th Jan. at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
TSUYAMA MARU (Calling Moji) ... Saturday, 30th Dec.
ATSUTA MARU ... ... Wednesday, 3rd Jan., at 11 a.m.

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DODWELL & CO., LTD.

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FOR NEW YORK & BOSTON.

S.S. "BOWES CASTLE" ... Sailing on or about Middle Jan.

LLOYD TRIESTINO.

Taking cargo on through Bills of Lading for Levant, Black Sea and Danube Ports.

FIUME having been re-opened for traffic, cargo is also accepted for this port on through Bills of Lading.

FOR SHANGHAI.

S.S. "FIUME" ... ... Sailing on or about 10th January.

For BRINDISI, VENICE & TRIESTE.

Via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

S.S. "FIUME" ... ... Sailing second half of January.

Passengers' Luggage can be insured at the office of the Agents.

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Regular Passenger and Cargo Service.

FROM CALCUTTA TO SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

Through Bills of Lading issued from Hongkong.

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SAILING (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Steamer.	Arrives Hongkong from Australia.	Leaves Hongkong for Australia.
CHANGSHA	30th Dec.	5th Jan. at 4 p.m.

This steamer is fitted with Refrigerating machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of ice, fresh provisions etc. and has superior accommodation with Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Doctor is carried. Reduced Fares. Cargo booked through to all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian ports.

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UNITED KINGDOM & CONTINENT SERVICE.

OUTWARDS.

HOMEWARDS.

PASSENGER SERVICE.

"City of York"	14th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
"City of Simla"	Mid. March.	
"City of Poona"	Mid. April.	

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For further particulars apply to

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COASTAL SHIPPING.

INDO CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

Destination	Steamer		Sailing
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Loksang	Fri.	29th Dec. at 10 a.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Leesang	Sat.	30th Dec. at 10 a.m.
MANILA	Yuensang	Sat.	30th Dec. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Fausang	Sun.	31st Dec. at 10 a.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Drufar	Sun.	31st Dec at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Yatshing	Tues.	2nd Jan. at 10 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Tues.	2nd Jan. at noon.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Namsang	Tues	2nd Jan. at 3 p.m.
KOBE	Fooksang	Fri.	5th Jan. at noon.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Childar	Mon.	8th Jan. at 10 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Hosang	Wed.	10th Jan. at 3 p.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Fooksang	Tues.	30th Jan. at 3 p.m.

CALCUTTA LINE:—This Line now affords regular sailings to Calcutta, Penang and Singapore; Returning from Calcutta steamers proceed via Straits and Hongkong to Japan occasionally calling at Shanghai.
All steamers have excellent passenger accommodation, are fitted with Electric Light & Fans and carry a fully qualified Surgeon.

SHANGHAI LINE: Sailings approximately every three days between Canton and Shanghai, sometimes calling at Swatow. Through tickets can be obtained and through Bills of Lading are issued all to Northern and Yangtsze Ports via Shanghai.

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BANGKOK LINE:—A weekly service is provided between Hongkong and Bangkok, via Swatow, by five steamers fitted with up-to-date passenger accommodation.

CALCUTTA LINE.

S.S. "Namsang" will be despatched on or about Wednesday, 3rd Jan., at 3 p.m. for SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.
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Telephone Central No. 215. General Managers.

C. N. C.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers.	To Sail.
HOIHOW & SINGAPORE...	Chinhua	...29th Dec. at 10 a.m.
HAIPHONG	Tean	...30th Dec. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO...	Sinkiang	...31st Dec. at d'light.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE...	Kingyuan	...31st Dec. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & PUKOW	Luchow	...31st Dec. at 4 p.m.
H'HOW, P'HOI, H'PHONG..	Yunnan	... 2nd Jan. at 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK.....	Kwangchow	... 2nd Jan. at 10 a.m.
AMOY, M'LA, CEBU, ILO	Taming	... 3rd Jan. at d'light.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	Sulyang	... 4th Jan. at d'light.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO...	Soochow	... 6th Jan. at d'light.
SHANGHAI	Shantung	... 7th Jan. at d'light.
SWATOW & BANGKOK ...	Kaigan	... 9th Jan. at 10 a.m.

SHANGHAI LINE.—PASSENGERS, MAILS AND CARGO.
Excellent Saloon accommodation amidships, with Electric Fans fitted. Regular Schedule service four times weekly between Canton, Hongkong and Shanghai, leaving Hongkong Sundays (extending to Pukow), Tuesdays and Saturdays (extending to Tsingtao), and Thursdays (via Amoy). Cargo taken on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtsze and North China Ports. Passengers for Shanghai do not require to tranship at Woosung.

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Telephone Central No. 36. AGENTS.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO. LTD.

HONGKONG & SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS SERVICE.

Regular Service of Fast, High Class Coast Steamers having good accommodation for First Class Passengers. Electric Light and Fans in state-rooms and Saloon and Excellent Cuisine.

For Swatow, Amoy and Foochow and Returns,

(Occupying 9 to 10 days.)

Steamships.	Captain.	Leaving.
Haifoong...	Ellis Walker.....	FRI., 29th Dec. at noon.
Haiching...	J. S. Thomson ...	FRI., 5th Jan. at 1 p.m.

Calling at Amoy for Passengers only.

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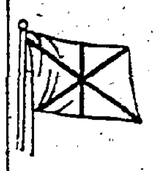

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between
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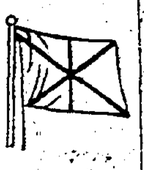

For Batavia, Samarang & Sourabaya.

S.S. BORNEO MARU Sailing on or about 31st Dec.

For Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.

S.S. MACASSAR MARU Sailing on or about 2nd Jan.

For further particulars please apply to:—

T. WATANABE,
Manager.

Tel. Central No. 2206.
Second Floor, Prince's Building.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

S.S. "KOREA MARU"

From SAN FRANCISCO via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS, MANILA & SHANGHAI.

The above named Steamer having arrived on Wed., 27th. Dec., 1922, consignees of cargo are hereby notified to present their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery from alongside steamer or the Company's Godown, where all cargo impeding immediate discharge will be landed at consignees' risk.

Storage will be assessed on cargo remaining undelivered after Wednesday, 3rd. Jan., 1923.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages will be landed into the Company's Godown where same will be examined on Wednesday, 3rd. Jan., 1923, at 11 a.m.

No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the steamer or Godown, and none will be entertained if presented later than three weeks after arrival of steamer.

No Fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Y. TSUTSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 27th. December, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

The Steamship

"WRAY CASTLE"

From NEW YORK & BSOTON.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 22nd. inst.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th. inst., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 8th. prox., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th. inst. at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs Goddard and Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & CO. LTD.,

Hongkong, Dec., 22nd. 1922

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LTD.

AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Co's Steamer

"DIOMED"

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignee's risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 27th December.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd. Jan. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 16th Jan., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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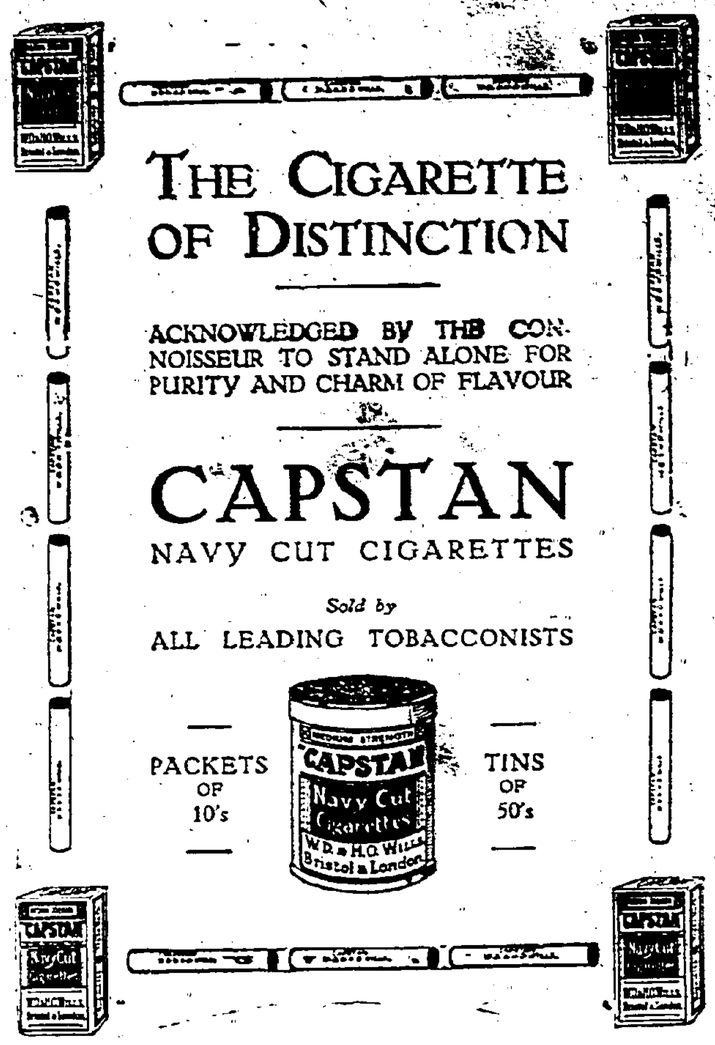

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WEATHER REPORT.

Dec. 28d. 10h. 40m.—Warring to Hongkong, Coast Ports, &c.:—Depression in Lat. 9° N. Long 114° E., filling up, position uncertain.

Dec. 28d. 19h. 30m.—Pressure has decreased considerably over Japan, moderately over the Loochoos, and slightly from S. Formosa to N. Luzon. It ha increased moderately at Shanghai and slightly over Indo-China.

An anticyclone has formed over China, and a depression over Japan.

The depression in the S. China Sea appears to be filling up.

Fresh monsoon may be expected along the coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st. 69.44 inches, against an average of 83.02 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

	District.	Forecast.
1	Formosa Channel	N.E. winds, fresh.
2	South coast of China between H.K & Lamocks.	N.E. winds, moderate; fine.
3	Hongkong to Gap Rock	
4	South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan.	

I. F. CLAXTON, Director.

H.K. Observatory, Dec. 28, 1922.

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Writing to the West Java edition of the *Indische Courant* a Chinese correspondent says: Your paper of the 29th. November stated that there is a movement in China to have the well-known Chinese major of Semarang, Oey Tiong Ham, elected to the president's chair. The report, is true, and Oey Tiong Ham has every chance of being president, for China's ambassador to America, Mr. Wellington Koo, is a son-in-law of his.

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8.00 "	to 10.00 a.m.	"	20 min
10.00 "	to 11.00 a.m.	"	15 min
11.00 "	to 12.15 p.m.	"	25 min
12.30 p.m.	to 2.10 p.m.	"	20 min
2.30 "	to 6.00 p.m.	"	15 min
6.00 "	to 9.15 p.m.	"	15 min

NIGHT CARS.

9.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. 9.50 p.m.
9.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. every 30 minutes
11.15 p.m. to 11.45 every 15 minutes

SATURDAYS.

EXTRA CAR 12.00 midnight

SUNDAYS.

7.00 a.m.	7.10 a.m.		
7.30 a.m.	to 9.30 a.m.	Every	15 min
9.30 a.m.	to 11.00 a.m.	"	10 min
11.15 a.m.	to 12.00 noon	"	25 min
12.00 noon	to 7.00 p.m.	"	15 min
7.00 p.m.	to 8.00 p.m.	"	10 min
8.00 p.m.	to 9.15 p.m.	"	15 min

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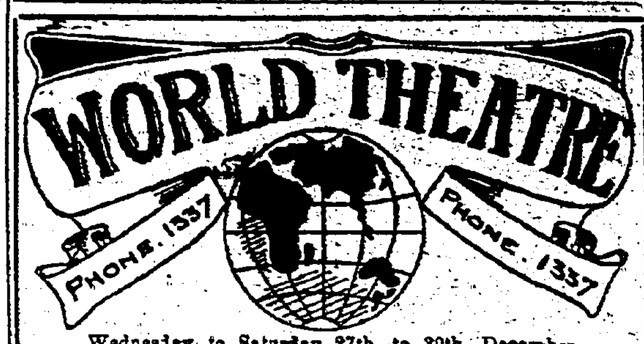

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